

Advances Plan
To "Declare" =
Not Sign-Peace
With 3rd Reich

Washington, Dec. 29 (AP)—A plan to scrap the idea of ever signing a peace treaty with Germany has been laid before all the United Nations, it was disclosed today. A simple declaration of peace would be issued instead.

The sweeping departure from international practice was advanced in a document which also suggested a United Nations court to try Hitler, Mussolini and other Axis leaders. The ideas were put forward by General Marcel De Baer, Belgian member of the London Allied commission to investigate war crimes, and chairman of the War Criminal commission of the London international assembly, an unofficial Allied research group.

"Declare Peace"
"Since we can declare war, why not declare peace?" De Baer said in an interview.

The State department is now studying the proposal.

He said that before a treaty could possibly be signed with the Axis powers, there would have to be a long transitional period. Other high American authorities have previously expressed the same conviction.

During this period, if the Allies remain in a technical state of war with Germany, as they would under an armistice, they would be hamstrung by the Hague convention and other rules of international law which govern the actions of occupying forces in war-time, De Baer said.

Thus, he went on, unless the United Nations want to denounce the principles of law for which they have been fighting, they will be unable to junk Germany's Nazi legal system, even though they clean out Nazi personnel.

Reorganize Germany
German courts alone could try war criminals not under the jurisdiction of other countries.

De Baer suggests that when Germany surrenders unconditionally, the Allies proclaim that the state of war with her has ended. They would have unlimited rights in the occupied territory and could proceed to reorganize Germany under the sign of peace.

When Germany finally has developed into a country acceptable to the family of "peace-loving states," described in the Moscow declaration, De Baer went on, a general treaty setting forth the world organization to maintain peace could be signed.

RAIL UNIONS
DROP STRIKE
PLANS TODAY

Washington, Dec. 29 (AP)—Secretary of War Stimson announced today that heads of the three remaining operating railroads had agreed to call off a strike which had been set for tomorrow.

The three union chiefs issued a joint statement with Lt. Gen. Brehon Somervell after a conference in the latter's office. They were David B. Robertson of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Engineers, H. W. Fraser of the Order of Railway Conductors and T. C. Cashen of the Switchmen's Union of North America.

The three unions represent approximately 230,000 railway employees whose decision to strike at 6 a. m. tomorrow caused President Roosevelt to order the nation's railroads taken over by the Army Monday night.

Both Stimson and Somervell said that as far as they were concerned there would be no arbitration of wages while the roads are under their control. It remained in their discretion whether capitulation of the three brotherhoods would be on a cooperative or forced basis.

Subjects for Arbitration
Even a complete capitulation by the firemen, conductors and switchmen would not dispose of the wage controversy. The 15 non-operating unions of more than a million workers accepted the President's offer to arbitrate, but the President announced that he can not do that until the unions and the carriers agree on what is to be arbitrated.

Thus the controversy is back where it started, except that the 15 unions withdrew their strike authorization. They accepted the graduated increases of 4 to 10 cents and want the President to decide their right to overtime after 40 hours, but the carriers want both questions arbitrated as one.

Schedules Unchanged
The two operating unions—trainmen and engineers—who promptly accepted the President as referee are receiving meanwhile the benefit of a 5-cent hourly increase which he awarded as an overtime benefit.

With all the fanfare and flourish accompanying government possession of the railroads, Secretary Stimson broadcast last night an assurance to the public that "there will be no alteration in schedules, in service or in personnel because of the change."

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EARL D. BACON IS SPEAKER FOR C. OF C. DINNER

Earl D. Bacon, of the state Chamber of Commerce, outlined activities of Chambers of Commerce in communities the size of Gettysburg at the December membership meeting of the local chamber at the Plaza restaurant Tuesday evening and pointed out that "a Chamber of Commerce is just as valuable to a town as its members make it. If its members are miracle workers then it will perform miracles. If its members are run-of-the-mine merchants and professional men then the Chamber will do only a mediocre job."

He urged the local Chamber to "make a survey to find out what you want to do and what you can do—then go ahead and do it."

One of the questions the town must ask itself, and be certain of its answer before it acts, he said, is, "Does Gettysburg actually want more factories?" Bacon said. There is only one reason for "wanting more smoke stacks in a town," the state Chamber of Commerce official said, "and that is to bring new money into the borough." If the money can be brought to the town in any other way, then there is no need for seeking additional factories and for all the problems that generally come with the placing of industries in small communities, Bacon asserted.

College, Battlefield Are Assets
"There is a lot of loose thinking in regards to industries. When one speaks of smoke stacks and industrial plants. Yet one of Gettysburg's best industries is the college. It is stable, it is always bringing money into the community. Its faculty is always about the same size and the staff that maintains its buildings is usually constant. There are never any sudden shifts caused by retooling or conversion that throw a large number of people out of work for periods of time. Its wage scale is high and it helps keep the town clean and prosperous. The battlefield is another great industry of the community. The tourist trade industry here annually brought millions to the town and after this war is over Gettysburg is well qualified to obtain even more tourists than it did prior to the war."

"There are some industries the town could seek—but they should be of that type. Suppose you secured a new industry that produced a tremendous volume of smoke that would cover the town, or perhaps caused an unusual odor as a result of its work. Such an industry could ruin the tourist industry and cause more damage through loss of tourists than it would bring money to the community. A small research laboratory or something of that nature, which would take care of a small amount of additional labor might be a prospect for Gettysburg. A large plant on the other hand might be a mistake." However, (Please Turn to Page 5)

DIES SUDDENLY IN LITTLESTOWN

Charles Blocher, aged about 70 years, was found dead in the basement of his home on Frederick street in Littlestown this afternoon about 12:30 o'clock.

The body was found by a neighbor, George Parr, who had been asked by Mrs. Blocher to go to the basement to fix the furnace fire. Mrs. Blocher, who is ill, had not seen her husband during the later hours of the morning and did not know his whereabouts.

Dr. Donald Coover, Littlestown, said death apparently had taken place several hours before the body was found. The county coroner, Dr. C. G. Crist, went to Littlestown this afternoon to make an investigation.

Mr. Blocher, a retired carriage maker and antique dealer, had been in usual health this morning when he arose.

The widow and a son, Paul Blocher, Washington, D. C., are among the survivors. Justice of the Peace Howard G. Blocher, Littlestown, is a brother.

Funeral arrangements have not been completed.

Arrive Overseas
Mrs. Ralph Johnson has received word of the safe arrival of her husband, Sgt. Johnson, overseas.

RELIEF ON DECREASE
State Treasurer G. Harold Wagner today announced that direct relief payments made to needy residents of Adams county during the last week were \$236.30, or \$37.70 less than for the comparable week last year. Sixty checks were sent to county recipients.

Military Rites For Capt. J. E. Slaybaugh

Funeral services for Capt. John E. Slaybaugh, 48, who died in Rockville, Maryland, Monday morning, will be held from the Bender funeral home Thursday morning at 10 o'clock.

Interment will take place in the National cemetery where military rites will be in charge of the Albert J. Lentz Post 202 of the American Legion.

Captain Slaybaugh is a past commander of the local Legion post. He served in World War I and enlisted in the present war early in 1942. He was admitted to the Walter Reed hospital, Washington, D. C., last June and at the time of his death was on leave from the hospital.

Friends may call at the funeral home this evening after 7 o'clock.

Paul Spangler, commander of Lentz post, has asked members to meet at the Legion home this evening at 8 o'clock to go in a body to the funeral home.

PLAN COURSE IN FRUIT GROWING FOR COUNTIANS

A short course in fruit growing to train orchard foremen, crew bosses and orchard owners to meet more successfully the problems they face in the war period has been made available to Adams countians at State College from February 1 to February 11. It was announced today by S. G. Spangler, who has been advised of the details by State College officials.

"The demands of war industry and the armed forces have taken many skilled orchard workers from the rural areas," Mr. Spangler said, "and new workers, men or women, must be trained to fill these places if fruit production is to be maintained."

Special Features
Mr. Spangler explained that the course is designed to help growers meet the new problem confronting them.

The program of instruction will include:

Pennsylvania fruit districts and fruit varieties; selecting safe orchard sites; selecting nursery stock; planting new orchards; the replanting of trees in old orchards; training young trees; pruning mature trees; importance of healthy leaves in producing fruit; fruit bud formation and development; blossoming and fruit setting; soil culture and cover crops in the apple orchard, the peach orchard and the cherry orchard; small fruit and grape growing; fertilizers for fruits; disease pests of fruit culture and control measures; insect pests of fruit culture and control measures; storage, and marketing.

Register Feb. 1
Eight hours a day will be spent in the class rooms, orchards and laboratories.

The expense of the course ranges from \$13 to \$15 which includes board and room, and health service.

Those attending the course will register February 1. Applications are available from A. L. Beam, State College, Pa.

Property Transfers

Abraham Altland, East Berlin, sold to H. L. and Mabel Griest Anthony, Latimore township, a lot in East Berlin.

James Shultz, Franklin township, and others, heirs of Florence Shultz, late of Franklin township, sold to Daniel S. Mickle, Franklin township, a 93-acre property in that township.

The Gettysburg National bank as attorney for the heirs of Sarah L. Huberty, late of Mt. Joy township, and Littlestown National bank as guardian of an heir, sold to Robert L. and Mildred F. Sanders, Mt. Joy township, a 67-acre property in that township.

CHURCHILL RECOVERS

London, Dec. 29 (AP)—A statement from No. 10 Downing street last night that Prime Minister Churchill "continues to make very satisfactory progress" and that "it is not expected any further bulletins will be issued" was viewed as indicating he now is definitely out of danger from the attack of pneumonia suffered somewhere in the middle east.

TEACHERS ELECT

Harrisburg, Dec. 29 (AP)—J. W. Newton, of Ambridge, was elected president of the Pennsylvania State Education association at the final sessions today of a two-day conference.

Weather Forecast

Fair and slightly colder tonight; Thursday, fair with slowly rising temperature.

PARK OFFICIAL DENIES CHARGE GUIDE LACKED 'FIELD FACTS'

The story appearing in the January "Readers' Digest" regarding the visit of General Marshall and Field Marshal Sir John Dill to the Gettysburg Battlefield last summer "is very interesting, but the facts are somewhat confused," Dr. J. Walter Coleman, superintendent of the Gettysburg National Park, said today.

Thomas M. Johnson, author of the article in the national publication stated that Marshall and Dill had visited the field, asked some questions of a guide and so confused him that they left to avoid making his confusion over events on the field greater. A soldier is supposed to have told the guide that the men, neither of whom was supposed to have been dressed in military clothes, were Marshall and Dill.

Visit Was Secret

According to Doctor Coleman the only true fact in the story is the statement that Dill and Marshall visited the field last summer. Their visit here was kept secret by the park office at the request of General Marshall, Dr. Coleman said.

General Marshall and Field Marshal Dill apparently visited the field for a particular purpose, to go over it from the viewpoint of Henry Kyd Douglas, a member of Stonewall Jackson's staff during the earlier days of the Civil War and author of the book, "I Rode With Stonewall." General Marshall carried the book and read passages from it frequently to Field Marshal Dill, Dr. Coleman said.

The two military men engaged a guide and when he was about to begin the regular trip the officers asked him to "direct them to certain points on the field" to which they wished to go. They told him to "make an exception this trip" as they had previously made the regular trip of the field and wished merely to visit some parts of the field. The guide directed them first to the peach orchard and then to various other spots. At each spot the two military men left the car and walked about the section of the field discussing Douglas' book and the battle, Dr. Coleman said.

Discloses Identity
At the Virginia monument the chauffeur of their car asked the guide if he knew who the two men were and then informed him of their identity.

"The two military men were so engrossed in their own study of the battlefield that the guide was never allowed to put in a word," Dr. Coleman said. "Even if he had not known what the battlefield was about the General and Field Marshal would never have known it, for they were too busy with their own interests to have listened to the guide whose services they wished merely to show them how to get quickly to that portion of the battlefield they wished next to visit. They did not hear or wish to hear what the guide might know of the field himself."

General Marshall visited the field several years ago, Dr. Coleman said. "At that time he was shown the relief map at the National Park office in the post office building and the battle was explained there. Then he was taken over the field by guides and park officials. The battle was explained to him during that trip and he was much interested in what was said. The only questions he asked at that time were to obtain more details on events described. None of the questions related to any possible mistakes on the part of the guide," Dr. Coleman said.

Odd Fellows Told Of Alaskan Highway

Paul A. Snyder, South street, spoke on the Alaskan highway on Tuesday evening in the fourth of a series of vocational talks given by members at meetings of the local Odd Fellows' lodge in the organization's rooms on Chambersburg street.

Mr. Snyder, who has spent 16 months working as an engineer on the road, told of the difficulty of establishing the road and the crude corduroy roads that had to be built in virgin territory in order that supplies, trucks and tractors could be brought in. He gave a summary of housing conditions for the workers and other details of the work.

APPROVES DIVORCE
A recommendation that the divorce be granted is contained in the report of the master, J. Francis Yake, Jr., in the divorce action of Mary Brown Hege, Aspers R. D., vs. Robert Franklin Brown, Biglerville, filed today at the court house. Cruel and barbarous treatment and indignities are charged.

L. C. Taylor To Address Masons

The annual St. John's Day banquet of Hebron lodge, No. 465 F and AM, of New Oxford, will be held this evening at the parish house of the Lutheran church, Abbotstown. Leighton C. Taylor Bendersville, will be the guest speaker.

The following officers of the lodge were elected to serve for the coming year at the Monday evening meeting: Romaine Pittenturf, worshipful master; Guy A. F. Hoke, senior warden; William C. Alwine, junior warden; R. M. Baugher, secretary, and C. S. Sponseller, treasurer. The trustees are William C. Alwine, Sr., George A. Klingel and H. B. Flaherty. Edwin Minter is representative to the grand lodge.

COUNTY YOUTH WINS CITATION

Ross Eugene Shaffer, radioman, third class, son of Mr. and Mrs. William H. Shaffer, Gardeners R. 2, was commended for his "aid in the evacuation of the wounded and bringing the vessel into port after torpedoing, June 22, 1943," according to word received by his parents.

The commendation was given by the commanding officer of a tank landing barge following Shaffer's work in saving the men and barge, apparently during the landing of Allied troops in Sicily.

The citation states: "From the commanding officer of the USS LST 387, care of fleet post office, New York, to the commanding officer, Advance Amphibious Training Base, Bizerte, Tunisia. Subject, commendation of personnel. Shaffer, Ross Eugene, Rm 3/c. Personnel listed is hereby commended by the commanding officer LST 387 for his aid in the evacuation of the wounded and bringing the vessel into port after torpedoing on June 22, 1943. His behavior reflected great credit upon himself and the Naval service. It is requested that a statement to this effect be entered into his service record."

Now in Sardinia

Seaman Shaffer took part in the operations in the invasion of Sicily aboard an LCI boat and apparently he with other members of the LCI crew assisted the tank barge after it was struck by the torpedo. No details of what occurred other than the citation have been received by the parents.

Radioman Shaffer recently celebrated his 21st birthday. He enlisted in the Navy, January 15, 1941, and received his training at Norfolk and Jacksonville, Florida. He is now stationed at Sardinia. Before joining the Navy, he attended Biglerville high school and later was an apprentice baker at Washington, D. C.

SENIOR COEDS TO HEAR NURSE

Mrs. Mary Barrett Lowery, assistant superintendent of nurses at the Georgetown University School of Nursing, Washington, D. C., will address the senior coeds at Gettysburg college on Tuesday, January 11.

Mrs. Lowery represents the National Nursing Council for War Service and the United States Cadet Nurse Corps, the new government agency which, under the U. S. Public Health Service, offers a free professional education to qualified students. Her visit is part of a nationwide endeavor to recruit 65,000 student nurses this year for wartime replacements caused by acute needs of the Army, Navy and civilian health agencies, and also to interest college women in preparation for post-war careers.

The latest information on the U. S. Cadet Nurse Corps will be presented by Mrs. Lowery, who has recently conferred with Miss Lucile Petry, director, and other national authorities. Recruits in the corps receive free tuition, free maintenance, distinctive gray and scarlet street uniforms, and a monthly stipend during their entire period of training in accredited schools of nursing. In return, they promise to remain active in essential military or civilian nursing for the duration of the war.

Rites Friday For Miss Anna Skelly

Funeral services for Miss Anna Margaret Skelly, 87, who died Monday afternoon from infirmities of age, will be held Friday morning at 9 o'clock from the Bender funeral home conducted by the Rev. R. R. Gresh. Interment in Evergreen cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home Thursday evening after 7 o'clock.

Stover's Shoe Store open 2 to 4 P. M. daily, Saturday, all day and evening. Wentz Building, Baltimore street, Gettysburg.

3 Nazi Destroyers Sunk; Allies Push On In So. Pacific

By MORRIS LANDSBERG
Associated Press War Editor
Allied troops rolled on toward prime objectives in rain-swept New Britain and in the jungles of New Guinea in fast-mounting twin drives to straddle the Japanese defense system for the Bismarck archipelago.

American Marines propelling the New Britain arm of the offensive beat off four enemy counterattacks, expanded their beachhead perimeter and advanced two muddy miles to within one and one-half miles of the Cape Gloucester air-drome on the northwest coast.

Australian troops, on the New Guinea side, swept forward on the coast of the Huon peninsula and inland, seized a key enemy point in the Ramu valley 35 miles south of Madang, first sizable Japanese base north of Allied-won territory.

Down 37 Planes

Allied planes ranged over the whole area, and in a series of engagements over New Britain, shot down 37 Japanese planes. American Liberators, meanwhile, carried out the heaviest smash at the Marshall islands with a 50-ton bombardment of Wotje islet. Jaluit atoll in the same island chain also was attacked Sunday.

The Tokyo radio announced that Japanese forces had "returned to their original base of operations" after striking at the rice bowl sector of central China in a campaign in which the Chinese said the invaders suffered a crushing defeat.

Another Tokyo broadcast told of efforts by Premier Hideki Tojo to boost food production. It coincided with the assertion by the Chungking radio that the Japanese, facing an "acute" food shortage, were getting only one-third of the daily rice ration allowed the Chinese.

Varied Opinions

In this country, two members of Congress expressed differing views on how long it would take to defeat Japan.

Senator George (D-Ga.) said he could not visualize Japan holding out long after the collapse of Germany, commenting "I'm not one of those who think Japan will hold on for three, four or five years longer. When Germany falls, she will begin looking for a way out, in my opinion."

On the other hand, Rep. Warren G. Magnuson (D-Wash.) declared that "although we have high hopes of victory in 1944 in Europe, Japan strength in the Gilbert and Marshall islands should be indicative of the duration of the war in the Pacific."

The Japanese showed signs of stiffening resistance on New Britain in an attempt to ward off the serious threat to the outer segment of their southwestern defense area.

37 Local Stores To Close Saturday

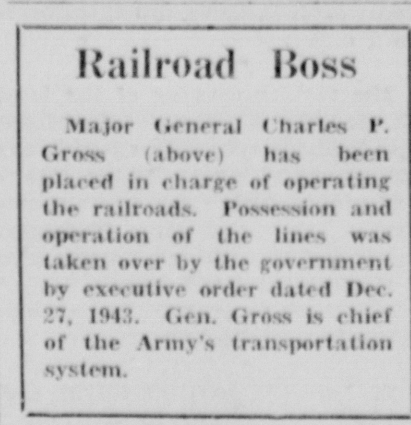
The retail division of the Gettysburg Chamber of Commerce announced today that 37 retail stores in Gettysburg will be closed all day Saturday in observance of New Year's Day.

This list of stores is given: Sherman's G. C. Murphy company, Harris Brothers, Dougherty and Hartley, Wentz's Home Furnishing company, Lippy's, Blocher's, Grenoble Gifts, Chritzman's Jewelry, Penrose Myers, Anna Bierer, Modern Miss Shop, Coffman-Fisher company, Tobey's, Martin's Shoe store, The Shoe Box, Haines Shoe store, Virginia Myers.

Rose Anne Shoppe, Zerfing's, Gettysburg Hardware store, Minter's store, Helen Kay shop, Joe, The Motorist, Brehm, The Tailor, Royal Jewelers, Gettysburg Autoparts company, Miller's Cut Rate store, Trostle's Appliance store, Thompson's Dress shop, Modern Dress shop, The Tailor shop, A&P markets, Acme market, Jacobs Brothers, and The City Market.

PRISONER MOVED

Eugene Shaffer, New Oxford, sentenced recently to from nine to 18 months in the county jail for arson, malicious mischief and two serious charges was transferred today to the Allegheny county workhouse at the direction of the county court. Deputy Sheriff Blaine E. Bixler and Corporal Earl Moore of the local state police escorted Shaffer to the workhouse.



Railroad Boss
Major General Charles F. Gross (above) has been placed in charge of operating the railroads. Possession and operation of the lines was taken over by the government by executive order dated Dec. 27, 1943. Gen. Gross is chief of the Army's transportation system.



Allied Ratio Of Troops To Remain Secret

Washington, Dec. 29 (AP)—The ratio of American to British troops in the European invasion forces is a military secret, say the joint Allied chiefs of staff, and the Germans won't learn it "from any official source in this country."

Senator Johnson (D-Colo.) has reported that the United States will provide 73 per cent and Great Britain 27 per cent of the troops used in the attack on Germany.

"The exact proportion . . ." said an announcement by the joint chiefs, "is a military secret which the Germans would like to know but will not learn from any official source in this country."

"There has been no disagreement between American and British chiefs of staff on that proportion, for the reason that both countries are going to hit the common enemy with everything possible."

"The British . . . are going to put in everything they have and we are going to put in everything we can get there."

BULLETINS

London, Dec. 29 (AP)—A Madrid dispatch to the London Daily Mail quoted a diplomatic source today as saying that Benito Mussolini died 10 days ago in a German hospital "from long-standing stomach trouble complicated by acute mental derangement."

Cairo, Dec. 29 (AP)—A final plan for the Allies' invasion of Europe from the west was laid before the Roosevelt-Churchill conference here by Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower and Air Chief Marshal Sir Arthur Tedder, a British source asserted today. The plan was approved within a few days and the amassing of vast armies and mountains of equipment for the zero hour was started immediately, it was added.

Washington, Dec. 29 (AP)—Guns, bombs and torpedoes of American men-o-war, planes and submarines have sunk, probably sunk or damaged 1,538 Japanese ships in battering the enemy's supply lines and fleet.

Washington, Dec. 29 (AP)—Chairman Bloom (D-NY) of the House Foreign Affairs Committee proposed today that "all potential presidential candidates get together and agree on a single foreign policy plank for 1944" to eliminate that issue from next year's election campaign.

By RICHARD McMURRAY
Associated Press War Editor
British warships and planes sank three German destroyers and a blockade runner in the Bay of Biscay, an official London announcement said today.

The victory was in swift sequence to the crippling of the Nazi Navy by the Duke of York and assorted cruisers and destroyers which sank the 26,000-ton battle cruiser Scharnhorst in the Arctic ice on Sunday.

Several other German destroyers were damaged in the action at the eastern edge of the Atlantic west of France and north of Spain. The exact time of the battle was not announced.

Ortona Falls

Ravaged Ortona finally fell to the Canadians of the Eighth Army, which pressed on up the Adriatic coast through snow and high winds toward the Italian port of Pescara, 11 miles away.

Allied medium bombers attacked airfields near Rome. The Germans asserted that the capital itself was bombed at noon yesterday and that heavy bombs fell near the St. Peter's Basilica and in outlying quarters. The Allied communique said hangars, buildings and dispersal areas were hit at Ciampino, south of Rome; at Centocelle, to the east; and at Guidonia. Other attacks were made on the port of Civitavecchia, northwest of Rome, and Anzio and Nettuno, southwest of the capital.

Allied heavy bombers attacked rail yards at Vicenza, 40 miles west of Venice, and at Rimini, north Adriatic port. In all 20 German planes were destroyed and 11 Allied craft were lost.

Seize New Peaks

Where the Garigliano river empties into the Mediterranean, Britons of the Fifth Army beat off a sharp German counterattack. Inland, French Moroccan troops seized peaks after fierce fighting. Indians gained ground in the Villa Grande area nearer the Adriatic.

British Mosquito bombers attacked western Germany without loss after daylight assaults on northern France Tuesday.

The resilient First Ukrainian Army of Russia widened its offensive west of Kiev to 65 miles, immediately menacing the railway cities of Zhitomir, Korosten and Berdichev. Vatutin's men stormed within five miles of Korosten, ten to Zhitomir and 17 of Berdichev in the battle-churned bulge 80 miles west of Kiev and within 115 miles of Bessarabia, the old Rumanian buffer province.

60 Towns Fall

Sixty towns fell. Upwards of 1,000 Germans died. Prison camps filled. Booty included 16 huge cannons, 10,000 trucks, 30,000 shells, a hundred tanks and a million cartridges. The Terev river was forced on the approaches to Zhitomir. In a week, Vatutin regained half the land lost to Von Manstein in his abortive five-week offensive, pressed with a prodigious expenditure of men and tanks.

Russian pressure was maintained on the White Russian bastion of Vitebsk where 16 Nazi counterattacks were absorbed. The white-robed Siberians of the First Baltic Army killed 1,200 of the foe and won several hamlets. In the Dnieper bend, the Germans were pushed back on the approaches of Kirovograd over the bodies of 1,000 of their comrades.

Miss Benner Joins Women's Army Corps

Miss Beatrice Benner, secretary to the auditor at the local furniture factories, has joined the Women's Army Corps and will report for duty with the U. S. Air Force some time after January 3. It was learned Tuesday evening at a dinner held at the Hotel Gettysburg by a group of local business women in honor of Miss Benner and Miss Mary Yeagy who was observing a birthday anniversary.

Miss Benner, who is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Milton Benner, Baltimore pike, joined the WAC December 6 at Harrisburg. After January 3 she will be subject to call at any time to begin her duties. She is a graduate of Gettysburg high school with the class of 1933 and has been employed at the furniture factory since 1936.

Miss Benner was entertained Monday evening by women members of the office force at the furniture factories at the home of Miss Dorothy Foth, center square. She was presented with an Army writing kit at that time.

GAPS FILLED IN INVASION STAFF FOR BIG DRIVE

BY WILLIAM FRYE (Associated Press War Analyst)

The announcement that Air Marshal Leigh-Mallory will be General Eisenhower's air commander in chief fills one of the major gaps which has existed in the invasion command structure.

This selection of the chief of Britain's RAF fighter command answers the question about leadership of the tactical air force which will give close support to the amphibious assault on Hitler's Atlantic wall.

The simultaneous designation of Admiral Sir Bertram Ramsay, formerly second in command to Admiral Cunningham in the Mediterranean, as Eisenhower's naval commander in chief virtually completes the roster of invasion leaders.

Takes Winning Team Along

Some of the shifts accompanying establishment of the invasion command, however, particularly among top-flight American generals, pose some questions about the coming assaults on Europe, and the relationship between Eisenhower's operations and the Mediterranean theatre which he is leaving to Gen. Sir Henry Maitland Wilson.

Eisenhower obviously is taking with him to Britain a large portion of the winning team he had in North Africa and Italy—Tedder, Spaatz, Doolittle, Montgomery, Ramsay. It would be a logical assumption that the American troops in his invasion forces also will be led by a general who won for Eisenhower in the Mediterranean—perhaps Lt. Gen. Omar N. Bradley, or Lt. Gen. George S. Patton, Jr. The command of American ground forces is the one big field command still not announced in Eisenhower's set-up.

Eaker's Arguments

It is by no means clear as yet just what relation the seemingly overlapping air commands bear to each other. Eisenhower's authority does not reach to the Mediterranean, but that of his American strategic bombing commander, Lt. Gen. Carl Spaatz, apparently does—extending to all long-range, behind-the-lines bombing of Germany, whether by the 8th Air Force in Britain, or by any of the three U.S. Air Forces in the Mediterranean.

The air war in the Mediterranean would seem, purely on the basis of announced changes, to be the one aspect of combat operations in that area destined to increase in importance in the immediate future. Nothing else offers a satisfactory explanation of the transfer of Lt. Gen. Ira C. Eaker to command all allied air forces in that zone.

Eaker is largely responsible for the growth and development of the 8th Air Force in Britain to its present formidable strength. Eaker's arguments probably saved the 8th's bomber command from absorption by the RAF and kept it alive to prove the thesis of daylight, high-altitude precision bombing when the worth of that program was questioned seriously at Casablanca.

Radio Telephones Offer Safety Use

Washington, Dec. 22 (AP)—The nation's railroads, now under government control, asked today for immediate examination of public safety possibilities in proposed use of radio telephones on moving trains.

But the government had nothing to do with it.

The carriers placed their request before the radio technician planning board—private experts in advanced research and practical radio adaptation—in a long-pending petition for board membership. Officials here expect an early reply from the chairman, Dr. W. R. C. Baker, Bridgeport, Conn., vice president of the General Electric company.

The telephone and telegraph section of the Association of American Railroads' "maintenance and operations" department signed for AAR.

Officials said they acted in part in response to accumulating public comment that perhaps installation of radio-telephone communications months ago might have prevented a recent series of wrecks which have cost more than 150 lives.

Deaths At Record High In Pittsburgh

Pittsburgh, Dec. 22 (AP)—Pittsburgh had 311 deaths during the week ending Christmas day, Dr. I. Hope Alexander, city health director, reported, and records showed it was the highest death toll in one week for the last nine years.

Respiratory diseases accounted for 69 of the deaths.

While records for years prior to 1935 were not immediately available, Dr. Alexander said he believed the mark was not exceeded by any week since 1918.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. and Mrs. Harold T. McElroy, West Middle street, announce the birth of a son at the Warner hospital this morning.

A son was born Tuesday evening at the Warner hospital to Mr. and Mrs. Murray Hardman, Emmitsburg.

Social Happenings

Phone Gettysburg 640 or Biglerville 8

Lt. and Mrs. C. C. Bream, Jr., left Tuesday for Chapel Hill, North Carolina, after spending the Christmas holidays at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Bream, East Middle street.

Pvt. Paul Bream has returned to Fort Bragg, North Carolina, after a furlough spent at his home in Cash-town.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Basehore and son, Billy, Bethesda, Maryland; Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Quick and daughter, Karen, of Towanda, have returned to their homes after spending the Christmas holidays at the home of J. E. Oyler, 228 Chambersburg street.

The regular meeting of the local chapter of the Women of the Moose was held Tuesday evening with the observance of "Moose Haven Chapter" night. Viola Caskey was chairman. The group sang Christmas carols and Mrs. Virginia Lauver gave a reading titled "Christmas Story." Longfellow's poem, "The Bells," was given by Mrs. Mary Miller.

Lt. James M. Mitchell, USNR, and family, Washington, D. C., visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George F. Mitchell, center square, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Snyder, East Stevens street, and their son, Pfc. Samuel Snyder, Oklahoma A. and M. college, spent Thursday in Spring Grove with Mrs. Snyder's mother, Mrs. Emma Myers.

Mrs. George Stover, Wentz apart-ments, left today to visit friends and relatives in Detroit.

Cpl. and Mrs. Milton C. Plank, of Camp Blanding, Florida, are spending a seven-day furlough with Cpl. Plank's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Plank, Baltimore street.

Miss Virginia Troxell, Baltimore street, and her house-guest, Miss Caroline Rex, of Allentown, visited friends in Dauphin Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Plank, Balti-more street, returned recently from a visit with their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Earl E. Barrett, of Norristown. They were accompanied home by their daughter and her son, "Ted" who are remaining for a visit.

Miss Mary Catharine Berger and Miss Winifred Miller will return to Pennsylvania State college this evening after spending the Christmas vacation at their homes here.

The Altar Guild of St. James Lu-theran church will meet this evening at 7:30 o'clock at the home of Miss Maude Whiteleather, 47 Hanover street.

Capt. L. S. Long will leave Thurs-day evening for Camp Phillips, Kansas, after spending the holidays with his family on Seminary avenue.

Mrs. George Staley and daughter, Rose Marie, spent the Christmas holidays with Mrs. Staley's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Lawrence, West Middle street.

Mrs. August Boreis and daughter, Lillian, Hanover street, visited relatives in Baltimore today.

Miss Anna Mumper, Philadelphia, who has been with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles S. Mumper, Springs avenue, over the holidays, is now in Waynesboro to spend several days with her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Richter, Mrs. Karl Fahringer and son, Karl, Washington, D. C., have been with Mrs. Fahringer's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Mumper, for two weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles R. Keller and son, Richard, and daughter, Judy, have returned to Selmsgrove after spending the holidays with Mrs. Keller's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Levi Diehl, Hanover street.

Emmitsburg

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Eckenrode and son, Charles, of Washington, D. C., spent the Christmas holidays with Mr. Eckenrode's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Eckenrode, of near St. Anthony's. Mr. Eckenrode has been confined to the house with a cold since his arrival. Mr. and Mrs. Eckenrode were connected with the teaching staff of the local school prior to leaving for Washington. Mr. Eckenrode is now connected with a school at Bladensburg, Maryland.

A-S William C. Smith, of Rockmill hotel, Glen Falls, New York, spent a few days with his family during the Christmas holidays.

HOSPITAL REPORT

Walter Richard, 95 Steinwehr avenue was admitted to the Warner hospital. Patients discharged included Mrs. Hershey Bowers and infant daughter, Biglerville, and Mrs. George Redding and infant daughter, Rose Mary, South Washington street.

CLUBWOMEN TO DINE

The annual Christmas dinner of the Sororist club will be held this evening at 6 o'clock at the home of Mrs. John Pape, Buford avenue.

Engagement

Cluck-Redding

Mr. and Mrs. Leo L. Redding, Gettysburg R. 2, have announced the engagement of their daughter, Miss Helena Teresa Redding, to Pfc. Dale S. Cluck, Gettysburg, who is now stationed at Camp Phillips, Kansas.

The wedding will take place in the near future.

Weddings

Jones-Biesecker

Mr. and Mrs. Elair Biesecker, Orrtanna have announced the marriage of their daughter, Miss Betty Louise Biesecker, to Pfc. Robert D. Jones, Scranton.

The ceremony was performed December 20 at the parsonage of the Rev. Carl Harper, pastor of the Evangelical Congregational church, Palmyra. The single ring ceremony was used.

The bride was dressed in a white wool street length dress with brown accessories. She wore a corsage of red rosebuds.

Mrs. Jones attended Gettysburg high school and is now employed in Hershey. Pfc. Jones, who has been spending a 15-day furlough with relatives in Scranton and Orrtanna, will return to Camp Claiborne, Louisiana, Thursday.

The bride will reside at 414 East Maine street, Palmyra.

Hinkle-Gochenour

On Friday, December 24, Mark E. Hinkle of Aspers, and Miss M. Virgine Gochenour, of York Springs, were married by the Rev. Dr. P. E. Heimer in the YMCA parlors, Frederick. The ring service of the Reformed church was used.

Phillips-Lopp

Miss Imogene Madeline Lopp and Earl Charles Phillips, both of Gettysburg, were married at the Church of the Brethren parsonage, Frederick, by the pastor, the Rev. Ralph E. Shober, December 20, at 4 p. m., the single ring ceremony being used. The bride is employed in Gettysburg and the groom is engaged in farming on Gettysburg R. 3.

DEATHS

Lawrence J. Hinkle

Lawrence Joseph Hinkle, 17-months-old son of Sergeant and Mrs. Lawrence H. Hinkle, 228 Chambersburg street, died at 8:45 o'clock this morning of pneumonia. The infant had been ill several weeks. Sergeant Hinkle is in service and is stationed at Shreveport, Louisiana.

The baby was survived by his parents, a sister, Winifred, at home, and a step-brother, Cyril Althoff, Gettysburg R. D. Mrs. Hinkle was the former Miss Eileen Althoff. The paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Hinkle, Aspers, and the maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. William Althoff, Gettysburg R. D., also survive.

Funeral arrangements have not been completed pending word from the father.

Mrs. Sarah J. Krichen

Mrs. Sarah J. Leonard Krichen, 83, recently a resident of Brushtown, died at 11 o'clock Monday night at the home of her son, Earl Krichen, McSherrystown, after an extended period of ill health. Mrs. Krichen was the wife of the late Joseph H. Krichen. Surviving are 80 descendants, including the following children: Elsworth Krichen, Midway; Earl Krichen, McSherrystown, with whom she was residing; Clair Krichen, Reading; Charles Krichen, McSherrystown, and Mrs. Helen Gouger and Mrs. Anna Mary Smith, both of Hanover R. 4; 42 grandchildren and 32 great grandchildren. She was a member of the Arch Confraternity of the Passion.

Funeral services held from the home of her son, Earl Krichen, at 8:30 o'clock Friday morning. A high mass of requiem will follow at 9 o'clock in the Church of the Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary, McSherrystown. The rector, the Rt. Rev. Msgr. Patrick F. McGee, will be the celebrant. Interment in Conewago Chapel cemetery.

Mrs. Sara E. Trimmer

Mrs. Sara E. (Cavanaugh) Trimmer, 86, wife of the late Jacob H. Trimmer, died at 9:50 o'clock Tuesday night at the home of her step-daughter, Mrs. John Helland, Dover R. 1, near here. She was in her 87th year. Coroner L. U. Zech attributed death to lobar pneumonia.

Mrs. Trimmer also leaves two other step-daughters, Mrs. John Myers, Fairfield, and Mrs. Harold Shaw, Philadelphia.

Mrs. Robert Gonder

Mrs. Robert Gonder, about 65, died at her home near Westminster Tuesday evening from a complication of diseases.

She was born in Adams county, near Fountaindale, a daughter of the late John and Amanda Flohr.

In addition to her husband she is survived by 11 children, John, near Union Bridge, Maryland; Mrs. Charles Storte, Westminster; Mrs. George Stauffer, Union Bridge; Mrs. Francis Trostle, Waynesboro; Mrs. Maude Little, Frizzelburg,

4TH TERM TALK IS "PICAYUNE" FDR DECLARES

Washington, Dec. 22 (AP)—President Roosevelt, having brushed aside as "picayune" a direct question whether he would run for a fourth term, was on record today as favoring an expanded economy and as against economic and military isolationism after the war.

In allegorical and alliterative terms, he told his news conference yesterday he favored scrapping the term "New Deal" because, he said, "Old Doctor New Deal" has cured the country's internal ills.

The patient is all right internally now, he said, but Old Doctor New Deal had to call on his partner, an orthopedic surgeon known as "Doctor Win-the-War," to heal the external wounds of a bad accident suffered at Pearl Harbor.

"Puerile and Political"

The President thought it rather puerile and political to bring the matter up at all, but he enumerated about 30 New Deal laws and policies and challenged his critics to say which of them they would ignore if the patient got the internal sickness again. The New York World Tribune's Washington bureau chief, Bert Andrews, thereupon asked:

"Does that all add up to a fourth term declaration?"

Laughter swept the President's oval office and the Chief Executive, reddening, replied:

"Oh now—we are not talking about things like that now. You are getting picayune. That's a grand word to use—another word beginning with a p—picayune. (He had used puerile and political before). I know you don't mind my saying that, but I have to say something like that."

One Goes Unanswered

When word first went out last week that Mr. Roosevelt wanted to drop the "New Deal" slogan, Republican national chairman Harrison E. Spangler termed it an effort by the Chief Executive to unburden himself of a "political load" while running for a fourth term.

"Can the leopard change his spots?" Spangler asked then.

One question and answer at the end of the discussion, which was left out of the transcript, left reporters a little puzzled because it differed a bit from something the President had said previously—to the effect that when victory comes the program of the past has got to be carried on, in the light of what is going on in other countries.

Left out was the reply to a question whether he meant the "New Deal" was scrapped only temporarily and was to be picked up again after the war.

White Run

White Run—Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Levan and son, Alfred, spent Christmas in Shiremanstown at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Westfall.

Mr. and Mrs. Walton Jones were week-end guests at the home of Mr. Jones's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Jones, of Drexel Hill.

Mr. and Mrs. B. K. Miller, of Mechanicsburg, were recent guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Levan.

Prof. and Mrs. Lester Sachs and son, Donald, of Petersburg, recently spent several days at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Emory Sachs, Baltimore road, and Mr. and Mrs. Beard Sharretts, of Gettysburg.

Mrs. Ada Leister and daughters, Grace and Mrs. John Minnick, were Christmas Day guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Light, of Newport.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Leister, of Hazleton, were recent guests at the home of Mrs. Ada Leister.

Miss Evelyn Bucher, a Cadet student nurse, after spending the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clair Bucher, has returned to the West Jersey Homeopathic hospital, Camden, New Jersey.

Miss Betty Crouse, of Columbia, spent Christmas at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hobson Crouse, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Levan and son, Alfred, were Sunday guests at the home of Mrs. Levan's parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. K. Miller, of Mechanicsburg.

Mrs. Charles Bucher is spending some time in Franklinville, New Jersey, at the home of her son, Ervin Bucher and with Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Forry, of Pitman, New Jersey.

The Rev. and Mrs. Glenn Sachs, of Detroit, Michigan; Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Forry and daughter, Yvonne, of Pitman, New Jersey; the Rev. and Mrs. J. B. Myers and daughter, Maryland; Mrs. H. Myers, near Westminster; Lida and Martin, at home; Earl, of the U. S. Navy; Robert and William, of near Westminster; five brothers and sisters, Charles Flohr, Fairfield; Simon Flohr, near Frederick; Mrs. Annie Blickenstaff, Baltimore; Mrs. Fannie Gantz, Waynesboro, and Lewis B. Flohr, Vienna, Virginia. A number of grandchildren also survive.

Funeral services from the Myers funeral home, Westminster, Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock with further services at the Meadow Branch Church of the Brethren.

Upper Communities

Jesse Topper, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Topper and Miss Mary Starnier, of Philadelphia, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Topper and Mr. and Mrs. William Starnier, Aspers. They were accompanied home by Miss Romaine Starnier who will spend a week there.

Mr. and Mrs. John Beliz and sons, John and Raymond, of Philadelphia, spent the holidays with Mrs. Beliz's sister, Mrs. Joseph Stubbs, of Quaker Valley.

Cpl. and Mrs. Richard C. Walton and son, Richard, left today for Harrisburg after spending the Christmas season with Corporal Walton's mother, Mrs. Richard C. Walton, of Biglerville. Corporal Walton will leave Harrisburg Friday morning to return to Camp Adair, Oregon, where he is stationed with a Military Police battalion.

Mrs. Walter Howe and daughter, Josephine, and Miss Kathryn Dentler, of Biglerville; Miss Betty Shively, of Chambersburg, and Miss Doris Billow, of Waynesboro, are spending a few days in New York city.

W. Benton Fidler, of Aspers, has returned after a visit with his son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. John A. Minnich, of Bedford.

Miss Alice C. Dunbar left Tues-day for her home at Westfield, Massachusetts, after spending the holidays with her brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Dunbar, of Arendtsville.

Mr. Dunbar is spending several days in State College attending a horticulture meeting.

Miss Helen Lower, of Lansdowne, has been spending the holidays with her mother, Mrs. Elson G. Lower, of Table Rock.

Miss Reba Taylor has returned to Baltimore after spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bruce B. Taylor, of Biglerville.

The Holy Communion service which was to have been held last Sunday in Trinity Benders Evangelical Reformed church will be conducted next Sunday morning at 9 o'clock with the Rev. Arthur Leeming of Hoffman Orphanage in charge.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Meyer in Biglerville has been placed under quarantine, their son, Nicholas, having contracted scarlet fever.

William Loftin has returned to West Haven, Connecticut, after spending the holidays with Mrs. Loftin's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Warren K. Enck, of Biglerville. Mrs. Loftin, who has been ill with a severe attack of grip, is remaining with her parents until she has recovered.

Pfc. Waybright Thomas, of the University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, has been spending the Christmas holidays with his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Raffensperger, of Biglerville.

Miss Frances Bucher has returned to Baltimore after spending the holidays at her home in Biglerville.

Mr. and Mrs. Bruce B. Taylor, of Biglerville, have received word that their son, Cpl. Ralph Taylor, has arrived safely in New Guinea.

Miss Blanche Slaybaugh has re-turned to Harrisburg after spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. William P. Slaybaugh, of Biglerville.

Miss Mary Enck, of Biglerville, is spending a week with friends at the Ambler School of Horticulture.

Miss Charlotte Otto, of Biglerville, is spending the holidays with relatives and friends in Dillsburg and Harrisburg.

Miss Helen Palmer and Dr. Har-old Heiges, of Washington, D. C., spent the Christmas holidays with Dr. Heiges' parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. Dale Heiges, of Biglerville.

Mrs. Rufus Roth and Miss Marvel Roth, Biglerville, spent Tuesday in York.

Helen Elizabeth, of Gettysburg, and Mrs. Charles Bucher spent Christmas at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Sachs, of Gettysburg.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Moul and daughters, Constance, Nancy and Judy Ann, of York, spent Christmas at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Kime.

Weissmuller Is Sued For Divorce

Los Angeles, Dec. 22 (AP)—Johnny Weissmuller, hero of jungle films, has been sued for divorce, his wife charging that he treated her with "gratuitous cruelty" and caused their separation five days before Christmas.

Mrs. Weissmuller, the former Beryl Scott of San Francisco, asked custody of their children, John, 3; Wendy Ann, 18 months, and Heidi Elizabeth, 5 months. Her suit also asked that she be awarded community property, which she valued at \$200,000, and alimony of \$1,650 a month.

Weissmuller was formerly married and divorced from Actress Lupe Velez and Dancer Bobbe Arnst.

WEATHER CUT FARM YIELDS

Harrisburg, Dec. 22 (AP)—Extremes in rainfall and drought in Pennsylvania cut this year's field and fruit crop yields eight per cent below those of 1942 but their dollar value was up 21 per cent over last year, the State Agriculture Department reported today.

The Department's Federal State crop reporting service estimated the value of the 1943 field and fruit crops at \$224,104,000 compared with \$184,562,000 last year and added average prices received by farmers are expected to be about 32 per cent higher than in 1942.

"This 21 per cent greater income," declared Agriculture Secretary Miles Horst, "does not mean that net profits from field and fruit crops have increased. Since January 1, 1942, farm wages per month without board have increased 109 per cent. The farmer is paying more for all livestock and poultry feeds than he buys. All other farming expense items are higher."

The Department also announced only 4,700 food, feed and fertilizer dealers and manufacturers out of approximately 12,300 in Pennsylvania have applied to renew licenses to operate their businesses after January 1, when present licenses expire.

"All dealers in these products who are unable to show a 1944 license after January 1," warned G. J. Kuhlman, acting director of the Department's Bureau of Foods and Chemistry, "are subject to prosecution and a fine."

Virginia Mills

Virginia Mills—Miss Ethel Kep-ner, Harrisburg, spent the Christmas vacation at the home of her mother, Mrs. Carrie Kepner, and family.

Miss Jean Kepner, Baltimore, spent Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Mervin Kepner.

Mrs. Paul Bankert, Hanover, spent the past week at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Kump. Mr. and Mrs. Kump have been ill for the past two weeks.

Mrs. William Kepner fell against the steps on the porch at her home and cut a deep gash in her leg last week.

A son was born recently to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Clapsdahl at their home, Fairfield R. D.

Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Nittle spent Monday in Hanover.

Mrs. Clair Ford and daughter, Diane Rose, Taneytown, visited over Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Daywalt.

Luther Lightner, Baltimore, visited a day the past week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Lightner.

Mrs. Harry E. Hartzell, Hagers-town, spent her Christmas vacation at the home of her mother, Mrs. Laura F. Currens.

Pfc. Ray E. Shindler spent a 10-day furlough at the home of his mother, Mrs. Susan Shindler-decker. He returned last Thursday to Camp Crowder, Missouri where he is stationed. Pfc. Shindler-decker will be transferred to Salt Lake City, Utah, in the near future where he will be trained in the U. S. air force.

Miss Goldie Currens and Paul Duda, Baltimore, spent their Christmas vacation at the home of Miss Currens' mother, Mrs. Laura V. Currens.

Miss Freda Kump spent sometime the past week at the home of her sister, Mrs. Paul Bankert, of Hanover.

With Our Service Men

S 1-c Wayne Arentz now receives his mail in care of the postmaster at New York city.

S2-c H. G. Worthington, Hagers-town, formerly of Gettysburg, has completed his basic training at Sampson, New York.

Pvt. Albert R. Goodermuth now receives his mail in care of the postmaster at New York city.

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S 2-c Lahrer P. Hess, Gettysburg R. 3, has completed his basic training at Sampson, New York.

A/S Elton Kessel now receives his mail with Squadron D-5, NAAC, AAFCC, Nashville, Tennessee.

A/S Ross R. Myers is with Co. 338, Unit E, USNTS, Sampson, New York.

Churchill Will Make Speech Soon

London, Dec. 22 (AP)—The Daily Mail said Tuesday that Prime Minister Churchill, who presumably is in the middle east recovering from pneumonia, would make a speech soon giving his views on the newly-established invasion setup under Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower.

The newspaper said that Churchill took a hand in all arrangements for the organization of the invasion command and the Christmas Eve announcement of the appointments.

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Background Survey For All Inductees

Harrisburg, Dec. 22 (AP)—Dr. Charles R. Reynolds, former surgeon general of the U. S. Army, will be the state advisor of a Selective Service survey into the medical, social and educational backgrounds of prospective inductees in Pennsylvania.

HUSKIES, TEXAS PICKED TO WIN IN BOWL GAMES

Pasadena, Calif., Dec. 29 (AP)—Never beaten in five Rose Bowl starts, Southern California nevertheless is one of the juiciest short-odds bets ever for its New Year's football game against the University of Washington.

The Spring Street seers, who set the price, have installed Coach Steve Welch's Huskies a 3 to 1 or even 12 points choice. Apparently this has been decided upon with comparative scores in mind, inasmuch as Washington swamped March Field's fliers and the Sky-birds did the same to the Trojans.

Just the same, 3 to 1 odds on this Rose Bowl game are difficult to reconcile. Both teams are somewhat unknown quantities. Washington played only four games, three of them against weak and under-manned teams. Southern California blew sky high in late October, developed fumbling habits that Coach Jeff Cravath couldn't overcome.

Washington Heavy Yesterday Welch ran his Washington squad through a workout in the rain. It is a big squad and probably has lots of power. If New Year's Day comes up wet, in keeping with the current weather, the Huskies may justify the odds. They will outweigh Southern California by a wide margin.

If the field is dry, Trojan speed and air power may offset the weight disadvantage. Observers who have seen both teams in action report that the Huskies are weak against short passes over the middle and that their line, averaging 210 pounds, isn't very fast and quite likely to fall prey to the Trojans' quick opening plays from the T formation.

Sugar Bowl New Orleans, Dec. 29 (AP)—Mutual admiration bonds between Coach Bill Alexander of Georgia Tech and Henry Frka of Tulane will be discarded here on New Year's Day when the Ramblin' Wreckers and Golden Hurricanes meet in the tenth annual Sugar Bowl classic.

Friendship between the two mentors dates back to 1936 when Frka, starting his varsity coaching career as assistant to Ray Morrison at Vanderbilt, was assigned to scout Georgia Tech and Kentucky in Atlanta.

The guys really like each other. Alexander's Tech teams won six conference championships and two out of three Bowl games. The wreck defeated California in the Rose Bowl in 1928, whipped Missouri in the 1940 Orange Bowl, and lost to Texas in the past Cotton Bowl tilt.

Third Bowl Tilt Frka has given the Hurricanes three Bowl games in as many seasons. His 1942 team defeated Texas Tech in the Sun Bowl and lost to Tennessee by one touchdown in the Sugar Bowl last January 1. Now he has them in the Sugar Bowl for another try.

Tulsa went through a long scrimmage yesterday afternoon at Bay St. Louis, Miss. Johnny Butler, former Tennessee star and ace of the professional Pitt-Phil Eagles the past season, "impersonated" Georgia Tech's Eddie Prokop in a blue shirt team against Frka's first two teams.

Cotton Bowl Dallas, Dec. 29 (AP)—The University of Texas was installed a 2 to 1 favorite today to win the Eighth Annual Cotton Bowl football game from Randolph Field, only all-service team in a Bowl this season.

Along betting row—you had to give seven points to take Texas if you didn't go in for the 2 to 1 odds. If you liked Randolph Field you could get six points, not bad for a team with a fancy passing attack built around the great Glenn Dobbs, formerly of Tulsa U.

Game Director James H. Stewart hopes at least 35,000 will be in the stands for the kick-off.

Randolph Field's squad will arrive tomorrow in time for a work-out. Texas won't come here until Friday.

Montgomery Meets Williams January 25

Philadelphia, Dec. 29 (AP)—It's official now: The Bob Montgomery-Ike Williams fight, subject of much dicker for the past three weeks, is definitely on.

The high-ranking lightweights will meet January 25 in a 12-round convention hall bout, Promoter Herman Taylor announced after a confab between the boys and their managers in the Pennsylvania athletic commission offices yesterday.

Montgomery's manager, Frankie Thomas, had sought a 15-round go while the Trenton, N. J., fighter's pilot, Connie McCarthy, wanted a 10-round limit.

The Bobcat, who was recognized as lightweight champion in New York and Pennsylvania until Beau Jack trimmed him, will warm up in a 10-rounder at Detroit with Joey Peralta, the Mexican from Tamaqua January 7.

McCarthy said he was looking for a bout in which Williams might stretch his winning string to 42 before the Montgomery fight.

Ingersoll Is New Phillies Director

Philadelphia, Dec. 29 (AP)—Robert Sturgis Ingersoll, who can remember "way back" when Harry Woiverton played third base for the Phillies in the early 1900s, is the Philadelphia National League club's newest director.

Ingersoll, who never played baseball but ran for Princeton on the four-mile track team in 1914, was elected yesterday to succeed his cousin, John Hamilton Potter, Hollywood film executive who resigned his directorship and was named a vice-president of the club.

A lawyer, Ingersoll has been the Phillies' counsel for several years. He is 52 years old.

SPORTS ROUNDUP

By HUGH FULLERTON, JR.

New York, Dec. 29 (AP)—There's an old saying that an oarsman needs a strong back and a weak mind but it took a former Washington crew man, Chuck McGuinness, to figure out a way around the ODT ruling against the use of school buses to transport athletic teams.

Chuck coached the Dales, Oregon, high school last fall and his boys traveled all over the state via bus—and with official blessings, too. Here's how it was done: The Dales played Friday night games, so Chuck lined up Saturday and Sunday farm jobs for his squad. "We used just 200 gallons of gasoline. We harvested 1,800 sacks of spuds, 1,200 sacks of onions and five tons of walnuts," McGuinness explained. "The farmers were grateful. We got to play football—and the ODT approved."

FIGGER FILBERT

Hank Wolfe, who starts those arguments about scoring records, now wants to know who can top the scoring feats of Glenn Knox, former William and Mary basketball star now performing for a Richmond, Virginia, independent team called Swatty's (did they get the name because they hit, Hank?). In four games, Knox has hooped 130 points for an average of 32.5 a game. Well, Brooms Abramovic, who scored 2,161 points in four seasons with Salem, West Virginia, college and averaged 29.88 in 30 games one year, is playing semi-pro ball around his home town of Etna, Pa., and may have something to say about it.

ONE-MINUTE SPORTS PAGE

Don Dunphy, the fight broadcaster, likely will put the Yanks and Giants baseball games on the air next summer. . . . The \$15,000 Fox stake, second only to the Hambletonian as the big event of harness racing, again will be raced at Greenville, Ohio, next August, along with the rich Horseman stake and Horseman futurity. . . . Although Nat Fleischler listed three Australians in his light-heavyweight rankings for the year, he says the reason is that they've been active against American soldiers while there are few 175-pounders hereabouts. About the best is the Alabama Kid, an American, who recently spotted a good soldier heavyweight, Al Hossman, some 20 pounds and lost a decision.

DOUBLE CHECK

Joe Donohue, who has charge of the tack room at the local race tracks, cashed some \$9,000,000 worth of checks for patrons of the mutual machines last season without suffering a loss. . . . Evidently Joe's past-performance charts on the customers are more accurate than the ones the bettors keep on the horses.

SERVICE DEPT.

The Mitchell Field (LI) Aviators, unbeaten in 11 basketball games, have challenged any college or service team to a game, preferably at Madison Square Garden, for the Army Air Forces Aid Society. They may get a reply from the Sampson Naval Station, which would like a Garden game, or the winner of the January 8 Bainbridge-Norfolk Navy tussle. . . . Cadet Charles Bachman, who soon will get his wings at the twin-engine advanced flying school at Pampa, Texas, Army Air Field, still can't catch up with his old man. As a fight manager his dad, Frank, handled a three-motor job—Maxie Rosenbloom, Bob Olin and Lew Jenkins.

OBSERVATION CAR

A Vallejo, California, duck hunter recently was fined for hunting without a license, taking ducks without a duck stamp, shooting from a motor vehicle, shooting from a main highway and shooting migratory birds without a rifle. . . . And Wilbur Adams of the Sacramento Bee wonders why he wasn't also punished for parking on the highway to make it an end of a perfect day.

100th Warship Is Launched By Cramp

Philadelphia, Dec. 29 (AP)—The Cramp Shipbuilding company has delivered its 100th warship to the Navy—the 10,000-ton cruiser Miami, 532nd vessel built at the Cramp yard since it was founded in 1830.

Six hundred feet long and mounting 12 six-inch and 12 five-inch guns, the Miami was delivered yesterday. It also is equipped with batteries of 20-mm. and 40-mm. anti-aircraft weapons.

CLARIFY PIAA COURT RULES

Harrisburg, Dec. 29 (AP)—Clarifying the new Pennsylvania Interscholastic Athletic association rule designed to slow down basketball play, the PIAA board of control says the ball must be handed instead of tossed to a member of a team when it goes into play again after a field goal or unsuccessful free throw.

The interpretation was made yesterday at the board's annual meeting, which also approved continuance of championships in minor sports but declined to permit two weeks of spring football training.

Curtailment of sports program by some schools brought up the question of whether to continue title events in track and field, wrestling, golf, swimming and gymnastics.

The board, which governs high school athletics, also admitted Greencastle and Berwick to membership subject to approval of district committees, ordered resumption of examinations of football and basketball officials and re-elected R. B. Stapleton, Tamaqua, president; C. L. Walsh, Pittsburgh, vice president; and W. E. Griffith, Somers, treasurer. Edmund Wicht, executive secretary, is serving a five-year term.

The canvass of district balloting on spring football training showed a vote of 228 against to 150 for with only Districts one, eight, nine, eleven and twelve approving it and the other seven districts opposing it. Proposed by schools in the Pittsburgh area, the amendment also would have permitted grid instruction in schools as part of the general physical education program.

Featherweight Title At Stake January 19

New Orleans, Dec. 29 (AP)—Bobby Gleason, manager of Phil Terranova, NBA featherweight champion, said today that he had accepted a \$15,000 offer from Los Angeles for Terranova to box Manuel Ortiz, bantamweight champion, there January 19.

Gleason said the bout would be for 15 rounds for the featherweight title. Terranova successfully defended his crown here Monday night against Jackie Callura, knocking him out in the sixth round of a scheduled 15-round bout.

Fights Last Night

(By The Associated Press) New York—Allie Stolz, 133½, Newark, outpointed Bobby McIntyre 13½, Detroit (8). White Plains, N. Y.—Bill McDowell, 161, Paterson, New Jersey, and Art Tatta, 161, New Haven, Connecticut (8). Jersey City—Sgt. Tommy Roman, 149, Bayonne, New Jersey, outpointed Mickey Makar, 152, Bayonne (8).

New Bedford, Mass.—Whitey Shaw, 143½, Taunton, Mass., knocked out Jimmy Edwards, 138, Newark (2).

Basketball Scores

(By The Associated Press) Steelton, 37; Williamsport, 34. William Penn, 31; Hershey Industrial, 24. New Brighton, 29; Rochester, 20. Homestead, 28; Monaca, 27.

College DePaul, 64; St. Joseph's 56. Arkansas, 39; CCNY, 37. Dartmouth, 75; Williams, 47. Canisius, 35; Havana, 21.

North Carolina Pre-Flight, 48; Duke, 35. NYU, 54; Pittsburgh, 40. Temple, 67; West Kentucky, 48.

STEVE EVANS DIES

Cleveland, Dec. 29 (AP)—Louis R. (Steve) Evans, 60, former first baseman and outfielder with the St. Louis Cardinals, died here last night after a long illness. He was a member of the major league all-star team that made a world-wide exhibition trip in 1913-14.

NEARS NEW RECORD

South Pacific Allied Headquarters, Dec. 29 (AP)—Major Gregory Boyington, Okanogan, Washington, Marine flying ace, downed his 25th Japanese plane over Rabaul, New Britain, Monday. Boyington is now only one behind the 26 plane record of Major Joe Foss and Captain Eddie Rickenbacker.

Lamotta Favored To Beat Kochan

New York, Dec. 29 (AP)—Jake LaMotta remains the favorite over George Kochan in tonight's middleweight bout at Madison Square Garden although the Bronx buster will be fighting under the strain of knowing the car he was driving killed an 11-year old boy 48 hours earlier.

LaMotta's machine was involved in the death of Albert Berg, who died two hours after being run over. The boxer took the child to the hospital and was visibly shaken when the youngster was pronounced dead.

The Bronx slugger, rated No. 1 among the active middleweights by Ring magazine this week, is the 2½ to 1 favorite over the Akron, Ohio, seaman in the early betting. Both boxers weighed 165½ as they completed the heavy work for their 10-round meeting.

SPORT SHORTS

Hershey, Pa., Dec. 29 (AP)—Bud Jarvis, left winger who played the last part of the 1939-40 season with the Hershey Bears hockey team, will be back with the Bears when they meet the Barons in Cleveland tonight, a Hershey spokesman announced today. Jarvis, who left hockey to become a forest ranger, is on leave from his forestry job at Long Lac, Ontario, Canada.

Harrisburg, Dec. 29 (AP)—Pennsylvania hunters were reminded today by the state game commission that failure to file a game-kill report by January 15 makes them liable to a \$2 fine.

Boise, Idaho, Dec. 29 (AP)—Lt. Bill Sewell, former Washington state football player, helped coach the Gowen Field basketball team for a series against the Mountain Home, Idaho, air base.

Then he was transferred to Mountain Home ready to lick Gowen Field.

Chicago, Dec. 29 (AP)—The country's ranking bowlers will shoot for a record first prize of \$5,100 in the 31st Petersen individual bowling classic.

The top prize, made possible because of a record number of entries, will be the biggest individual award ever offered in any bowling tourney.

Iowa City, Ia., Dec. 29 (AP)—A bullet wound in his right arm will prevent Jack Spencer from playing on the undefeated University of Iowa's basketball team when it meets Denver Saturday night. Spencer, a guard on the cage squad, was wounded during the Christmas holidays when a 22 caliber rifle in the hands of a friend accidentally discharged.

A large oak tree at St. Martin's, La., marks the legendary spot where Longfellow's heroine, Evangeline, started her search for her lover.

SPECIAL PUBLIC SALE

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RATION COST OF MEAT TO CLIMB

Washington, Dec. 29 (AP)—The new January meat chart lists only one small point value boost—on fresh hams, but Price Administrator Chester Bowles sees the ration cost of meat beginning to climb more noticeably in February.

The OPA chief, in a radio address last night, said he "wouldn't be a bit surprised" to find higher values on some meat products the month after next, and added "it seems most likely that points may be higher in March and April" and during the summer.

The change in fresh ham values, effective Sunday, hikes the ration cost one point a pound, eliminating the differential between fresh and smoked types in effect the last three weeks. The reason: Considerably increased movement of the fresh cut since validation recently of a special stamp for five points of pork.

The values on the rest of pork cuts and all other important brown-stamp foods remain virtually unchanged on the new chart, with butter continuing at 16 points and veal, lamb and all but three beef items staying put. Cheese points, too, remain the same.

The beef changes are a two-point reduction in dried beef values, to 12 points a pound, a one-point cut

Ask Grand Jury Probe Of Bad Coal

Philadelphia, Dec. 29 (AP)—A federal grand jury investigation was sought today into complaints that 50,000 tons of worthless anthracite have been shipped into Philadelphia during the past few months.

The demand came from George Whitehead, acting chief of the city bureau of weights and measures, who said considerable data on what he called "this terrible coal mess" had been turned over to the district attorney's office.

Whitehead said hundreds of purchasers have complained that their coal contained up to 70 per cent slate, rock and other non-combustible material.

He added that "despite all statements to the contrary, most of the bad coal that has come to this city has been shipped through legitimate channels." Several large dealers said previously that "racketeers" were responsible for the sale of inferior coal.

Assistant District Attorney Franklin E. Barr said he would start proceedings against dealers believed responsible for the sales, and Whitehead said civil actions based on short weight charges also are being considered.

to three points for tongue, and for sliced, ready-to-eat tongue a two-point downward revision, to six points a pound.

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MURDER CHARGE AGAINST BOY, 10

Meadville, Pa., Dec. 29 (AP)—Ten-year-old George David First stood charged with murder today in the slaying of Conrad Kratz, 9, a classmate, as Assistant District Attorney Kenneth W. Rice announced young First admitted shooting his friend after a quarrel.

The Kratz boy was shot through the heart with a .32-caliber revolver bullet yesterday and died after he ran out of the First home and collapsed on the sidewalk.

Alderman S. G. MacTarnaghan held the First boy for juvenile court when the lad was arraigned before him. He released the fifth-grade pupil in the custody of his father, George First, Sr.

Rice said the youngster admitted the slaying in a statement but contended the shooting was an accident.

DEMOCRATIC PARLEY

Harrisburg, Dec. 29 (AP)—Democratic leaders of nine Pennsylvania counties were to meet with U. S. Senator Joseph P. Guffey and State Chairman David L. Lawrence here today as the two chiefs continued to sound out sentiment for a party ticket in the April primary.

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An Evening Thought

Man must either make provision of sense to understand, or of a halter to hang himself.—Antisthenes.

Just Folks
By Edgar A. Guest
THE SILENT HEROES

We'll never hear them bragging,
who for us have borne the
most.

The boys who've been in battle
and come home don't care to
boast.

We have to drag it from them, bit
by bit and word by word.
"Other fellows did the dying!" is
the phrase that's oftener
heard.

Walk the sanitarium hallways
where the wounded lie in
bed
And notice just how little of their
glorious deeds is said.

It is never: "Hear what I did!"
That they'd keep forever hid.
All they seem to want to tell us
is what other fellows did.

We're the ones who do the boast-
ing, we, from peril miles
away.
We, with little more to fret us
than the taxes we must pay.
We go 'round ourselves extolling,
when the blinded and the
lamed
Say they merely did their duty—
and they make us all
ashamed.

Today's Talk
By George Matthew Adams
TACTILE SENSE

A sensitive touch is akin to a sensitive mind. A noted collector recently presented his varied treasures to a noted Museum, and a critic, commenting upon this benefactor, had this to say of him: Especially he had very knowing, very discriminating and long remembering hands. He once said, laughingly, that he knew little about things he could not touch. In other words he collected with his fingertips!

I can appreciate such a collector. I like to take an exquisite etching in my hands, or a rare or beautifully bound book. I like to touch the very point of a great work of art. Even a bronze or marble statue seems to warm my fingertips, as I touch one that is vital and latent with beauty.

Beautiful fabrics, rugs, rare woods, and precious stones, seem to have an especial language for fingers. W. H. Hudson used to love to walk into the forest and pluck rare flowers and grasses and crush them in his fingers. Their odors intoxicated his sensitive spirit and gave him unalloyed joy.

I am sure that there is an understanding speech that is transferred to the very tips of the fingers when the soft coat of a dog, or beautiful bird, is stroked. The tactile sense behind a woman's fingers is more exacting than any sales-man's quotation of a fabric. The feel of the fingers carries a code all its own.

The late Bishop Quayle was a great lover of books. I once heard him speak of a tour that he made of London book shops, and how he finally discovered a precious volume beautifully bound and which he bought. He said that he put it into his pocket and blessed it with his fingers all the way back to his hotel.

How many of us recall the touch of Mother fingers across our fevered, or troubled brow, and how they soothed the ache in the heart, as well as in the body. Have ever fingers told, or meant so much, through their touch of love?

Tomorrow Mr. Adams will talk on the subject: "True Values"

LESS READING NOW
Chicago, Dec. 29 (AP)—Patrons of the nation's public libraries, the American Library association said today, are not reading as much in wartime as before Pearl Harbor, but the quality of what they read is improving.

The Almanac
DECEMBER
30—Sun rises 7:24; sets 5:41.
Moon sets 10:22; m. 11:22.
31—Sun rises 8:24; sets 4:42.
Moon sets 11:12; m. 12:12.

Out Of The Past

From the Files of the
Star and Sentinel and
The Gettysburg Times

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO

Christmas Songs on Frosty Night:
Braving a temperature many degrees below the freezing mark, several hundred people took part in the 45 minute program given in Center Square Thursday evening at Gettysburg's community celebration.

The Square presented a pretty sight with all the lights burning and the eight big trees illuminated with large bulbs of red, white and blue. The Rev. Paul R. Pontius presided. The old hymns of Christmas were sung by the assembly led by I. L. Taylor. The children of the public schools and of the parochial schools sang Christmas songs, and three little girls, Nellie Brindle, Martha Eden and Martha Shriver gave appropriate recitations. The address of the evening was by Dr. H. C. Allen.

Morse-Sheely: At 4 o'clock Thursday afternoon Miss Frances B. Sheely, of Gettysburg, and Otis B. Morse, of York, were married at the home of the bride on Springs avenue. The ceremony was performed by her pastor, the Rev. F. E. Taylor.

Lieut. Ira Lady Dead of Wounds: From wounds received in action while fighting with the Seventy-Ninth Division during the closing days of the war, Lieut. Ira E. Lady, of Arentsville, died in a hospital in France November 22nd. News to this effect was received Thursday by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hiram C. Lady.

Oyler-Stover: On Christmas eve at the Lutheran parsonage in Biglerville, Herbert Oyler and Miss Emma May Stover were married by the Rev. S. F. Tholan. The bride is a daughter of Mrs. E. D. Stover and a graduate of Gettysburg High school of the 1918 class. She is at present a teacher in the schools of Adams county.

The bridegroom is a son of Harry Oyler, of Stratton street, Gettysburg.

Home From Overseas: Simon Stock returned to his home on Baltimore street after a year's service overseas with the 472nd Aero Squadron. The majority of his time was spent in England though he was in France for a short time.

Musselman-Harbaugh: Edith Harbaugh and Ralph Musselman, both of Fairfield, were married at the parsonage of the First Christian church, by the pastor, the Rev. W. M. Norment—Hagerstown Herald.

Varied Training in College Unit: According to an announcement coming from Washington, the students at Gettysburg college who take up military training with the resumption of their studies January 3rd, may select the branch of the service for which they wish specially to prepare themselves in the event of an emergency. Heretofore they received only infantry drill.

Another Home: Roy Plank has returned to his home on North Stratton street after serving in the United States Army. He spent the past year with the troops in England, and only recently arrived in New York. He is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Plank.

Food Restriction Rescinded: Regulations restricting the use of bread, meat, sugar, butter and cheese in public eating places, which have been in effect since last October 21, are ordered rescinded by the food administrator, effective December 23.

Soldiers' Party: The canteen workers of the Gettysburg Red Cross chapter entertained the soldiers who were in town on Friday evening at the War Camp Community House on West Middle street. Any man in uniform was welcome.

Pershing Crosses the River Rhine: With the American Army of Occupation, Dec. 24—Gen John J. Pershing, commander-in-chief of the American forces, slept in a castle on the east bank of the Rhine Saturday night as the guest of Major General Hines, corps commander, with headquarters at Neuwied.

General Pershing crossed the Rhine in an automobile at 10:35 o'clock Saturday night, over a pontoon bridge at Coblenz, after having entertained the newspaper correspondents at dinner in his private train.

Personal: Raymond Spahr, of Newport News, Va., spent Christmas day with Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Spahr, on Fourth street.

Fred Faber has returned to Wilmington, Del., after spending several days at his home on Chambersburg street.

George A. Sachs has returned to Wilmington, Delaware, after a visit at his home on Hanover street.

G. D. Lelever is spending several days at his home near Mechanicsburg.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Culp, of Princeton, N. J., are spending the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Reuben Culp, York street.

Lt. J. McCrea Dickson has returned to his home on Broadway from Camp Greenleaf, Georgia, having received his discharge from the camp.

Clarence Bumbaugh, USN, is a visitor at the home of his mother, Mrs. Mattie Bumbaugh, on East Middle street.

There are more than 24,000 British prisoners of war in Germany enrolled in educational courses managed by the British Red Cross.

RATIONING OF WHISKEY HERH UNTIL VICTORY

Harrisburg, Dec. 29 (AP)—Whisky rationing in Pennsylvania has outgrown the experimental stage and is here for the duration, Chairman Frederick T. Gelder of the Liquor Control Board said today.

Gelder made the assertion after the board extended for six weeks the rationing program which was started last November 15 as an experiment.

"People are fairly well satisfied with the program," he declared. "Rationing is a permanent setup but the mechanics of administering it may be changed."

He said it may be necessary to add other items in the state's 579 liquor stores to the ration list and added, "if we find it desirable we may issue ration cards."

Diversified Supply

The new extension of the rationing system allots each consumer one-fifth of a gallon of whisky between Jan. 3 and Feb. 12, a reduction from the limit of one-fifth and a pint for the Nov. 15-Dec. 31 period. Gelder assured those still eligible to make purchases in this rationing period that "those who register will be able to get whisky."

"There is a thoroughly diversified stock on hand and the supplies of general items are in pretty good shape for the holiday week-end," he added.

Flashes of Life

HOT SPOT

New York (AP)—Fire engines changed through the night club district to put out a blaze—at the Torrid Zone cafe.

NATURALLY

Helena, Mont. (AP)—W. Rush Burroughs, 65, who will retire Friday after carrying the mail for 41 years, figures he has plodded a distance equal to four trips around the world.

But he's taking on a new job: A door-to-door salesman.

NICKEL NURSER

Los Angeles (AP)—Police officer W. W. Wheelock arrested a pencil vendor for operating without a city license, found he was lugging around \$2.54.

Explained the vendor: "I don't trust banks."

TIMELY

Tucson, Ariz. (AP)—It's double time for the University of Arizona. Arizona's governor has decreed that the state will return to mountain standard time January 1, which applies to the civilian portions of the university. But army and navy units in training at the school will stick to mountain war time.

Some clocks in the same buildings will vary one hour.

TOUGH ASSIGNMENT

Sterling, Ill. (AP)—Investigating the cause of the inundation of his farm lowlands, George Bingenheimer detected the work of a family of beavers in a dam built across a nearby creek.

The presence of the villains was reported to the state conservation department and Bingenheimer was advised a conservation crew would set out for them.

There is no open season on beavers, they said.

The crew must capture the animals alive.

Send New Forms To Institutional Users

Before January 1st, every Group III institutional user of rationed food products will receive from his local rationing board, three copies of form R-1307, two copies of which are to be filed with the local board before January 15. One copy is to be kept by the institutional user for his own files.

They will receive also a copy of form R-1311, on which each Group III institutional user is to keep a daily record of sales, showing separately the number of persons served food and the dollar revenue from food services, also the number of persons served refreshments and the dollar revenue from refreshment services.

Form R-1307 is to show: (1) Break down of persons served, dollar revenue and food use during December 1942, between food services and services of refreshments; and (2) give information relating to baking operations, if any, during December, 1942.

Allocments for the March-April period will be computed from information given on these two forms.

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Some Gas Rations Expire December 31

Harrisburg District Office of Price Administration today announced that the following old-type gasoline ration coupons will be invalid for use by consumers after December 31.

(1) Transport ration coupons (principally used by commercial vehicles and taxis) bearing the designation "TT". After January 1, transport rations will take the form of the new serially numbered "T" coupons.

(2) One gallon "bulk" coupons which were used at one time for bulk deliveries of gasoline and for furlough travel by members of the armed forces.

Gasoline dealers have until January 10, 1944 to dispose of these ration coupons either by furnishing them to their suppliers when replenishing their stocks, or by exchanging them at their local boards for inventory coupons. Gasoline suppliers have an additional ten days in which to deposit this old ration currency in their ration bank accounts.

Irregularities Are Charged At Mercer

Mercer, Pa., Dec. 29 (AP)—Conducting his special inquiry for the attorney general "along the lines of a grand jury investigation," former Congressman Harry A. Estep declares the commonwealth violated its constitutional powers in trying William A. Morell, 20-year-old farmhand, before one jury for three murders.

The Pittsburgh attorney said his investigation into the triple slayings at a dairy farm near here will involve questioning "a number of persons having evidence or knowledge of events and relations among the principals who have not been questioned in previous investigations."

Morell, convicted of voluntary manslaughter in the death of Mrs. Helen Wilson, 48, wife of Dairyman Everett Wilson, was acquitted of murder in the deaths of Mrs. Catherine Wilson, 78, the farm owner's mother, and Farmhand Robert McKay, 70.

PRODUCTION OF STEEL CLIMBS

Pittsburgh, Dec. 29 (AP)—Steel production climbed back toward normal today after a work stoppage by more than 170,000 workers while the CIO's United Steel Workers union continued negotiations for new contracts.

Over the nine states affected by work tie-ups which began with expiration of contracts on Christmas Eve, workers returned to their jobs with the start of regular shifts or in accordance with operating conditions.

President Philip Murray of the union maintained his silence on the controversy, estimated by the American Iron and Steel Institute to have cost the industry about 125,000 tons of steel production. He participated, however, in contract negotiations between a union committee and subsidiaries of the U. S. Steel corporation.

Any pact agreed upon by the union and U. S. Steel appeared likely to become a master plan for other contracts to be signed with some 500 steel companies. No indications were available as to when such a model contract would be ready to submit to the War Labor Board for approval.

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Prisoners Ask New Guard; First Fainted

Camp Kilmer, N. J., Dec. 29 (AP) Two soldiers, both under court martial sentence to several weeks of confinement, were picking up paper under the eyes of a military policeman who followed with loaded rifle. Suddenly the guard fainted.

The prisoners picked up their guard and his rifle, carried him to the nearest dispensary, then obtained permission to telephone the provost marshal.

"Please, sir," said one, "will you send us another guard? This one can no longer do his job."

The new guard came, but camp headquarters, in disclosing the incident Tuesday, said Col. Cecil L. Rutledge, camp commander, commuted the sentences and returned the men to their outfits.

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PORK LOIN (Rib End) 4 pts. 27c Spare Stamp No. 1
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1b.

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Plus 4c in cash for each pound of
Kitchen Grease brought here for
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Choice Hand Picked Pea **BEANS**
2 1b pkg 22c 4 pts
RED BOW LENTILS 16-oz pkg 11c
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Fancy Blue Rose Rice 2 1b 19c 4 pts
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Red Ripe Tomatoes 2 No 2 cans 19c
Glenwood Grapefruit Juice 2 No 2 cans 25c
Glenwood Apple Sauce No 2 can 14c
Farmdale String Beans 19-oz can 11c
Early June Peas No 2 can 12c
Asco Golden Corn Crushed No 2 can 13c
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Campbell's Tomato Juice 18-oz can 10c
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Waste Grease brought here for
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COAL HEATERS OR RANGES for fall. We still have ranges and circulating heaters on hand. Trade-In Furniture Exchange, 55 West Clarke, near York Supply Company, York, Pa.

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FOR SALE: WEAVER SPINET piano, good condition. Apply 418 York Street.

FOR SALE: 25,000-EGG CAPACITY incubator. Cheap. Frank Holland, Gettysburg, R. 4. Farm known as Hartlaub Hatchery.

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1937 CHEVROLET MASTER DELUXE, four door, trunk seen. See "Hank," Gettysburg Drain Tire, Phone 957-R-11.

FOR SALE: CHEVROLET COACH, good rubber, fine motor, quick sale at \$100. Stoner's Service Station, Biglerville.

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FOR RENT: NICE COUNTRY property, 2½ miles from Gettysburg; 7-room house with conveniences, 8 acres farm land; rent, \$15.00 monthly, immediate possession. Write Letter 935, Times Office.

WANTED TO RENT

WANTED TO RENT: 50- to 100-acre farm. Write Box "936" Times Office.

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WANTED: RAW FURS. J. E. SLAYBAUGH, Center Mills, Aspers, R. 1.

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WANTED: WORKMEN FOR inside work in furniture plant. Apply at Reaser Furniture Company office. Employees now employed in essential activity cannot be considered without a statement of availability.

WANTED

WANTED: BOARDING FOR mother and small baby. Person must be willing to care for baby while mother works. Apply Times Office.

FEMALE HELP WANTED

WANTED AT ONCE: MIDDLE-aged woman for housekeeper for two adults, day off week, good home for winter. Telephone 509-Y.

WANTED: WAITRESS. APPLY But's Diner, Buford Avenue.

WANTED: MAIDS. APPLY ANNIE M. Warner Hospital.

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Experience not required Sewing Machines—Table Work

Apply at

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IF INTERESTED IN MILK COOLERS, get my price before buying. I have most every size with or without the new cold spray system. If you're in need of a Cooler, why not buy now? Prices have not advanced. Daniel L. Yingling, R-1, Gettysburg, Pa.

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WE HAVE PLENTY OF ALL SIZES Grade 1 passenger and truck tires and tubes, including odd sizes. Citizens Oil Co.

BIG NEW YEAR'S DANCE AT Barlow Fire Company Hall, Friday, December 31. Admission 25c. Everyone out for a good time.

BINGO PARTY: KARAS' STORE every Thursday and Saturday night. Turkeys, grocery bags and other prizes.

EARL D. BACON

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Bacon warned, the answer to those questions could be determined only after a survey discloses the needs of the town, the number of workers it could place and the like.

Suggests CC Services
"We often make a mistake in our thinking in that we feel our job is done when we have placed a new industry in a town," Bacon declared. "That is only half the job. The Chamber of Commerce should take care of the businesses it has. A committee from the Chamber should go out each year to check on the town's industries to see what can be done and what must be done to build up the industries already located in the town. Perhaps the Chamber can help in securing lower taxation, or in obtaining better physical facilities for a plant. Those things are revealed when the committee sits down with the business owners and talks the thing over."

"A Chamber can be most useful in civic activities. For example fire prevention work will bring down insurance costs to the town's business places. The Chamber of Commerce should work with the farmers in surrounding sections and provide what assistance it can to the farmers in their relationship to the town. Many Chambers have set up cooperative markets with the farmers where such an organization was necessary. Many Chambers helped

LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE
Estate of Judith May Wells, late of Huntingdon Township, Adams County, Pennsylvania, deceased.

Notice is hereby given that Letters of Administration upon the estate of the above decedent have been granted under the undersigned by the Register of Wills of Adams County, Pennsylvania; all persons having claims or demands against the estate of said decedent are requested to make known the same and all persons indebted to said decedent are requested and required to make payment without delay unto the undersigned.

LUCILLE F. WELLS, Administrator of the estate of decedent.
Where address is:
R. D. 4, Conestoga, Pa.
Or to her Attorney,
J. F. Yake, Jr.,
Gettysburg, Penna.

NOTICE
Estate of Mary B. Dardoff, late of Franklin Township, Adams County, Pennsylvania, deceased.

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GEORGE A. CARBAUGH, Administrator.
Cashew, Pa.
Or, William L. Meals,
Attorney,
Gettysburg, Pa.

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE
In re: Estate of Maggie P. Caldwell, deceased.

Letters Testamentary on the last Will and Testament of Maggie P. Caldwell, deceased, late of Gettysburg Borough, Adams County, Pa., having been duly issued to the undersigned, he hereby gives notice to all persons indebted to said estate to make immediate payment, and those having claims or demands against the same to present them properly authenticated without delay.

MAURICE H. MILLER, Executor.
224 Paxton Street,
Harrisburg, Penna.

R. F. Topper, Esq.,
Attorney,
Gettysburg, Penna.

secure high school labor for stores at busy times and some have inaugurated full time courses in retailing at the high schools with the youngsters working part of the time and securing instruction at the school the remainder of the time in methods of retailing."

President Mares Sherman presided at the session with 22 members present. The next membership meeting will be held January 25, he announced.

A nominating committee including Robert E. Berkhimer, chairman; Lawrence Oyer, J. I. Burgoon, Penrose Myers, Paul A. Kinsey, Joseph E. Codori and Charles Myers was appointed to report at the January meeting when the annual election of officers will be held.

Emmitsburg

Emmitsburg — The Emmitsburg high school glee club gave an entertainment in the school December 22, to a highly appreciative audience. Professor A. L. Leary, principal of the high school, stated that 44 members of the glee club took part in the exercises. The total membership of the club is 65. Mrs. Mary Davis is instructor of the glee club. She directed the singing with Miss Jean Duple at the piano. Miss Mary Theresa Mullen rendered Bible readings following each song by the glee club. Professor Leary hopes to give several glee club entertainments during the year for the benefit of those who were not privileged to be present at the concert on last Wednesday.

The annual Christmas party for the children of the community was held at the firemen's hall at 11:30 a. m., December 23. Approximately 450 children were served with sandwiches, candy and soft drinks. The Women's club supervised the arrangements. Norman Z. Hoke is treasurer of the association of business men who contributed towards the Christmas party.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Zimmerman and Mrs. Sarah Zimmerman, of Poughkeepsie, New York, are the house guests of Elmer Zimmerman, 208 West Main street.

Mrs. Frederick D. Kime and daughter, Miss Mary Ann, are visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Combs, 700 West Main street. Commander Kime is aboard a destroyer in the Atlantic war zone.

Miss Frances Rowe of Washington, D. C., also is a holiday guest of Mr. and Mrs. Combs.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Seabrook, of Hazleton, spent the Christmas holidays with Mrs. Seabrook's mother, Mrs. Harry Baker, 320 West Main street, all of whom had Christmas dinner with Commander and Mrs. Seabrook. Mr. and Mrs. William Seabrook have taken residence in the First National bank apartments. Mr. Seabrook is employed by the General Electric company of Schenectady, New York, in the steam turbine department.

Miss Mae Topper has been residing with her sister, Miss Janie Topper, 124 East Main street, since coming here from Atlanta, Georgia. Miss Topper is a registered nurse, and has been employed by Dr. J. C. Johnson in Atlanta for the past 25 years.

The body of Rose Brown Hill, 69, colored, was interested at Mountain View cemetery on December 23. Her parents, deceased, were David and Harriet Reid Hill. The body was brought here from Long Branch, New Jersey.

Mrs. John R. Kerr spent Christmas with her husband, who is a Petty Officer at the Great Lakes Naval Training station, Illinois.

Pvt. Christopher Springer, stationed at 1560 Amsterdam avenue, New York city, recently visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Springer, 804 West Main street.

DEATH of a Saboteur

By Hulbert Footner

Chapter 18

In the grand house on 67th street, another little comedy had to be played through before the Count got down to business.

"The heat is very trying," drawled the Count. "New York is so humid! They tell me the town of Riverdale stands high and cool. Do you suppose it would be possible to obtain a suitable furnished house there?"

"I don't know Riverdale," said Lee, "but I shall be happy to inquire."

"I should be infinitely obliged to you!" After the secretary had tiptoed out of the room, closing the door behind him, the Count's manner changed. His little pale eyes glittered. "What have you got to report?" he demanded.

"Not much as yet, Count. I have organized a search, that's all."

"I expected quick results from a man of your reputation," said the Count sourly.

To convince him he was doing all a man could do to earn his million dollars, Lee launched into a detailed account of activities which had not got anywhere in particular. The Count was not satisfied.

"Any ordinary detective could do as much," he grumbled.

Lee took it humbly. "You said you had some information for me," he suggested.

"I have. From Russian sources I can learn nothing about Gorchovoi except a hint that he is living somewhere in Brooklyn. Of Tashila I have learned he has a set of papers in his possession identifying him as William Brown, a machanic. It appears he actually has had such experience. He is therefore likely to seek employment in some large factory as a means of cover."

"As for Scharipov, his San Francisco friends have been led to believe that his wife is in Russia; that is not so. She is living under the name of Mrs. Crispin in the village of Sebastopol in Sonoma County, north of San Francisco. I assume that he visits her."

"Have you a description of this woman?" asked Lee eagerly.

"I have seen her," said the Count. "She was a beautiful girl. She must be forty-five now; dark hair, dark eyes, a quiet manner."

"If he visits her again we'll have him!" cried Lee, in seeming glee.

"Shouldn't we fly out to San

Francisco?" suggested the Count.

"Wait until we get a line on which way he's going to jump. He may tell the woman to join him elsewhere. If he does, she will lead us to him."

Upon reaching home, Lee got Welby on the wire. "Here's your woman in black who visited Scharipov's office. She's his wife. She lives very quietly in the village of Sebastopol in Sonoma County. Is known there as Mrs. Crispin."

"Linder is to call me up at noon," said Welby. "I'll tell him."

Lee soon learned a good deal about Count Deduchin's antecedents. He was said to come of an ancient family of a province in Central Russia. Unlike most of the emigres, he had succeeded in bringing a great part of his fortune to America.

About fifteen years ago he had purchased a handsome estate near Ardmore, Pennsylvania, and he had been living there ever since.

His wealth and his title had assured him admittance to the best society of that exclusive neighborhood—to a certain extent. In return he gave magnificent parties several times a year. But he was such an ugly and peculiar little man that he never gained any real intimacy with his American neighbors.

He had always been an ardent Czarist and was much visited by other Russians of the same persuasion. Since the war had broken out, however, he had become very quiet on this subject. His Russian friends dropped away and he now posed as a good American who came to the fore in all patriotic movements and drives to raise funds.

In his next report, Welby communicated to Lee that the Admiral commanding Brooklyn Navy Yard has promised full cooperation in the case of Gorchovoi or Estevan. Within forty-eight hours, Lee received a telephone message from the Admiral's secretary asking if it would be convenient for Mr. Mappin to come to see his chief. Lee went.

The Admiral came directly to the point.

"A draughtsman here in the Yard reported to me this morning that he had been approached by the enemy agent Estevan of whom you informed me. The draughtsman led the man on in order to find out what he was up to, and after several meetings accompanied by a

good deal of drinking, Estevan told him that he wanted to buy the blueprints for the new landing device for planes that is to be installed on the carrier we are building."

"That tallies with my information," said Lee.

"This is a dangerous situation!" said the Admiral with considerable heat. "Why don't you arrest the man at once? You have the evidence now."

"This Estevan is only an agent," said Lee in his mild voice. "If he is arrested, another agent will immediately take his place. I am hoping that if we give Estevan rope enough, he will lead me to his chief."

The Admiral was mollified. "Fair enough!" he said. "Of course I'll do everything I can to assist you, short of letting Estevan see the blueprints for the landing device. Our draughtsman has a date to meet him again tonight. What do you suggest he should say to Estevan?"

Said Lee: "Let him describe the difficulties of getting hold of the blueprints for the landing device, but hold out hope for the future. While they are waiting for an opportunity, let the draughtsman try to sell Estevan something else. What could you offer him that he would fall for? The deal must be carried through, you understand. Estevan is a smart fellow; he can read a blueprint."

After thinking it over for a moment or two, the Admiral broke into a grim laugh. "How would this be? We have blueprints for directing anti-aircraft guns on shipboard. They were acquired from the enemy. I needn't say how. If I had copies made, there would be nothing on them to show where the prints had originated. We might sell those back to Estevan."

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"I'll have prints made immediately," said the Admiral, "and our draughtsman can carry them to Estevan tonight."

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May Invoke War Powers In Voting

Harrisburg, Dec. 29 (AP)—War powers granted by the 1943 legislature to permit suspension or modification of statutes hindering the war program may be invoked by Governor Martin to simplify Pennsylvania's soldier voting procedure.

The Chief Executive said at a press conference yesterday that some question has developed whether the present law "isn't a little too complicated," but added he believes a special legislative session to make any needed changes can be avoided by using the war powers law.

Outside of the soldier vote, he said, "there doesn't seem to be any other reason for a special session," but added, "that isn't fully concluded."

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THESE ARE TOUGH TIMES FOR DOCTORS

Of course you know that many of our medical men are now in the Armed Forces. Those at home are doing their level best to protect our community. You can help the Doctor—and help yourself—by guarding your health. Little ills should be corrected, not neglected. Call on a Doctor before he has to call on you! Let him help you keep well. And let us help by accurately compounding any prescriptions he may write for you.

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PUBLIC SALE

Of Valuable Real Estate

On Thursday, December 30, 1943. The undersigned, Executrix of the last will and testament of U. H. Cromer, late of Franklin Township, Adams County, Pennsylvania, deceased, will offer at public sale on the premises situated at 130 Breckenridge Street, Gettysburg, Adams County, Pennsylvania, the following described real estate:

All that lot of ground with improvements thereon, situated at No. 130 Breckenridge Street, Gettysburg, Adams County, Pennsylvania, the following described real estate:

Sale will commence promptly at 2 o'clock P. M. Eastern War Time, when terms and conditions of sale will be made known by

VIOLA MARGARET CROMER, (now LITTLE),

Executrix of the last will and testament of U. H. Cromer, deceased.

Attorneys for Estate,

Swope, Brown and Swope, Gettysburg, Pa.

G. R. Thompson, Auctioneer

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CAN I GO?

WHEN IS IT GOING TO BE?

SATURDAY NIGHT

SATURDAY NIGHT!

TELL HIM IF HE CHANGES IT TO SATURDAY AFTERNOON YOU CAN COME

SCORCHY SMITH

KATHY, HONEY, WHAT IS IT? WHAT HAPPENED?

I COULDN'T FACE IT, FAITH, TO FIND A GUY LIKE SCORCHY AND THEN HAVE IT ALL END BEFORE WE EVEN GOT TO KNOW EACH OTHER. WAR'S NO PLACE FOR LOVE.

YOU'VE GOT THE WRONG SLANT. HONEY, GUYS LIKE SCORCHY ARE FIGHTING FOR THE RIGHT TO LIVE IN SECURITY AND FREEDOM AND PEACE...THE RIGHT TO LOVE AND BE HAPPY, SURE.

YOU DON'T GIVE UP THE THINGS YOU'RE FIGHTING FOR, WHILE YOU FIGHT FOR THEM.

POPEYE

ONE EYE IS PAINTED ON, AN' I GOT A DRAFT CARD AT SEZ I YAM EIGHTEEN—NOBODY ASK ME HOW LONG I BEEN EIGHTEEN

NOW THE NAVY CAN'T TURN YOU DOWN

HE'S RIGHT, THEY CAN'T TURN ME DOWN

I YAM AS GOOD AS IN A NAVY

YOU MEAN HE DID A DUMB THING LIKE THAT?

WHAT'S DUMB ABOUT IT?

HE HAS TO BE UNDER SEVENTEEN OR OVER THIRTY-SEVEN TO ENLIST IN THE NAVY

THEY'LL TURN HIM DOWN!

SURE

YOU LOOK LIKE A HAH! THAT LITTLE MAN WHO WAS HERE LAST WEEK—HIS NAME WAS POPEYE

HAH! THAT LITTLE SAWED-OFF RINT? YAS, I KNOWS 'IM, SIR

ME DRAFT CARD SEZ I YAM EIGHTEEN

I DON'T LIE TO 'EM

A COURSE, I YAM WIT' ONE EYE PAINTED ON, YAD THINK I GOT TWO GOOD EYES—THE NAVY CAN'T TURN ME DOWN

AFTER I YAM IN A NAVY I KIN WASH ORF THE PAINTED EYE

YOU LOOK LIKE A HAH! THAT LITTLE SAWED-OFF RINT? YAS, I KNOWS 'IM, SIR

MAJESTIC TODAY and TOMORROW
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Year In... Year Out
Here's the place to shop for
FOOD VALUES

Today—next week—next month—new customers will be joining the ranks of those who shop in our stores. This is especially significant at times like these when some foods are limited. Thinking people prefer to select their foods in our stores who are reputed for their high quality and the large variety we have available at consistently low prices

Sea Food
40 FATHOM BRAND
Fish Fillets 1 lb 51c
FRESH CRISFIELD
Oysters 1 doz 80c 1 doz 70c

Shurfine Fcy. Florida
Grapefruit JUICE
Not Rationed
2 No 2 25c
2 Brown Points and 4c for every pound of waste fat you turn in.

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WILSON'S MEAT OF MANY USES

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Bologna
Plitt's
Ginger Ale
Kunzler's Loaves
Staufer's Saltines
Dill-or-Sour Pickles
Bennett's Mayonnaise
Shurfine Pure Mustard
Staufer's Gem Crackers
Sunshine Krispy Crackers
Penn Dale Stuffed Olives
N.B.C. Premium Crackers
Bennett's Hamburger Spread

Party Foods
Shurfine Peanut Butter
Hamburg-Spinach-Meat Loaf
1-lb pkg 19c
1-lb pkg 19c
qt jar 25c
pint jar 32c
9-oz jar 9c
1-lb pkg 19c
1-lb pkg 19c
13-oz bot 12c
1-lb pkg 19c
8-oz jar 10c

VICTORY POLKA FOR MUMMERS ON JANUARY 1

Philadelphia, Dec. 29 (AP)—Their satin costumes may be threadbare, their gaudy plumes may droop a bit, but Philadelphia's Mummer parade will cavort as usual New Year's Day—to the strains of "The Victory Polka."

It's a new tune for the richly garbed banjo-strummers, whose favorite since the annual carnivals began at the turn of the century has been "O, Dem Golden Slippers."

But victory will be the keynote of the 1944 parade, which was to have been cancelled until a flood of protests from mummars in the armed services restored it to the list of the nation's New Year spectacles.

Women Banned

"We even had a letter from Guadalcanal," says Mummer Jim Durning, cigar-chewing chauffeur to Mayor Bernard Samuel. Written by Sgt. Robert Britton, it said: "Best of luck in the parade—and I want to hear that the Durning String Band comes in first."

The banner Britton carried two years ago will be borne by nine-year-old mascots Teddy Farrell and Johnny MacIntyre. Fathers and younger brothers of 5,000 other mummars now in the service will fill some of the gaps.

Will women, who always have contented themselves with helping make the elaborate costumes that trail for half a block, be permitted to march? "They will not," says Durning crisply, "and they never will be!"

Materials Are Scarce

No one, not even Robert J. Hall, the baker-president of the New Year Shooters' association, knows how many members of the 21 surviving comic, fancy and string band clubs will compete for the city-offered \$15,000 prizes. Estimates range from 4,000 to 8,000 prancing, clowning figures in the four-hour parade.

Costumes, many made from designs submitted by mummars overseas, have been the chief problem. Materials are scarce.

"We've even substituted cardboard for satin," says Durning sadly. "As for tacks—you might as well try to buy a battleship."

DEVELOP NEW BOOT

Washington, Dec. 29 (AP)—The War Department disclosed Tuesday the Quartermaster Corps has developed a new 10-inch leather combat boot to replace the shoe-and-legging combination worn by ground forces and the boots worn by parachute troops.

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Guldens
Guldens—Mrs. George Duttera and Miss Mary Duttera will be hostesses to the members of the New Oxford Garden club at the regular meeting which will be held at their home Monday evening, January 3.

Mrs. George Duttera entertained at a buffet supper at her home Monday evening. Guests included Mrs. Howard Wink, Miss Barbara and Howard Wink, Jr., Boalsburg, Burnie, Maryland, were Christmas guests of Mrs. Kadel's parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. N. Waters.

Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Whited entertained at a family dinner at their home Christmas Day.

Mr. and Mrs. John Kadel and daughters, Joan and Jean, Glen Margaret, Kissinger, Harrisburg, spent Christmas at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Starnier.

EDUCATION KEY TO AMERICA'S FUTURE: MARTIN

Harrisburg, Dec. 29 (AP)—Governor Martin said today that "we can only have good government when people understand our form of government."

"There is no doubt about the future of America," he told the annual convention of the Pennsylvania State Education Association in a prepared address, "if our people are an informed people, proud of their achievements in the past and ready to face the years that are coming."

"Not Snap Subjects"

He said, however, that "there is a doubt if we permit slurring attacks upon our form of government and upon the memories of our great leaders and the great names of the past."

Martin told the educators "practical government must be taught in the schools . . . so thoroughly and intelligently that every boy and girl will know the three levels of government—local, state and federal"—and also "the three branches of state and federal government—the legislative, the executive and the judicial."

"The boys and girls should be proud of the accomplishments of their government," Martin added. "This can be done only by teaching them some of our great achievements," but he warned "we dare not make either history or government soft, easy, sugar-coated snap subjects."

Dr. Francis B. Haas, state superintendent of public instruction, in a speech last night urged planning for post-war education without letting down on wartime responsibilities.

"There should be no interlude of confusion and conflict," he said. "For those who are entrusted with educational leadership, this is the time for greatness, this is the time to prepare for tasks ahead."

Foresee Changes In Bolivian Setup

Washington, Dec. 29 (AP)—Possibility of a complete shift in the make-up of the new Bolivian government emerged Tuesday with the expected arrival here of General David Toro, former chief of the Bolivian Military Purchasing Commission in Washington who was reported last week to have headed an abortive counter-coup in La Paz.

Toro, who has denied the story that he attempted to overthrow the new regime, arrived in Miami mysteriously after disappearing in the Chilean embassy in La Paz last week.

Unofficially it was suggested that Toro, a former president of Bolivia, hopes to confer here on the attitude of this government toward developments in Bolivia—and perhaps consider plans for organizing a new Bolivian government.

Secretary of State Hull has already made it clear that the United States will not recognize the present Bolivian regime until questions as to anti-Allied participation in its whirlwind accession to power have been cleared up.

Urges Consumers To Use Soft Coal

New York, Dec. 29 (AP)—Predicting a 5,000,000-ton anthracite shortage for the "coal year" ending March 31, the Solid Fuels Administration advises consumers and dealers to "stop their stampede for anthracite and take bituminous in domestic sizes."

"And if that is not available, they should take mine run sizes (un-sized) coal," Robert Duemler, chief of the SPA Anthracite section, told a press conference last night. Duemler said 150,000 tons of domestic size bituminous is moving into the Middle Atlantic states each month.

Regional SPA Director Walter J. Dockertill said the agency's New York staff is being increased and that field offices are being opened in 10 northeastern cities, including Harrisburg and Allentown, Pa.

KNOWN HIS FURS

Philadelphia, Dec. 29 (AP)—The fellow who cut a hole in the window of Nan Duskin's apparel shop and stuck his arm through it had a nice taste in women's coats. He passed up two sable neckpieces, valued at \$1,000 and \$800, and took a \$3,500 mink coat.

CONVICTS STRIKE
Boise, Idaho, Dec. 29 (AP)—Convicts working in the Idaho penitentiary laundry struck for a day and a half last week, the radio prison board was informed, because they didn't like the way the prison was being run.

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